

## Chapter NR 45

### USE OF DEPARTMENT PROPERTIES

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**Note:** Chapter NR 45 as it existed on December 31, 1983, was repealed and a new chapter NR 45 was created effective January 1, 1984.

**NR 45.01 Purpose.** The purpose of this chapter is to govern the conduct of visitors to state lands and to provide for the protection of the natural resources.

**History:** Cr. Register, December, 1983, No. 336, eff. 1-1-84.

**NR 45.02 Applicability. (1)** Except when the context provides otherwise, this chapter applies to any of the following:

- (a) All lands, structures and property owned by the department.
- (b) Lands owned by the state of Wisconsin which are under the management, supervision and control of the department.
- (c) Lands under easement to or lease by the state of Wisconsin which are under the management, supervision and control of the department.

**(2)** On lands the department owns but are under the supervision, management and control of another entity pursuant to lease or easement, the department may, as part of the lease or easement, waive its jurisdiction in whole or in part under this chapter.

**History:** Cr. Register, December, 1983, No. 336, eff. 1-1-84; r. and recr. Register, December, 1999, No. 528, eff. 1-1-00.

**NR 45.03 Definitions.** In this chapter, the following definitions apply:

**(1)** “Adult group” means a group made up of adult members (18 years of age and older) of an established organization. Adult groups may include families.

**(2)** “All-terrain vehicle” has the meaning specified in s. 340.01 (2g), Stats.

**(2m)** “Backpack campsite” means an area designated for camping that has no modern facilities, such as showers or flush toilets located nearby, nor vehicle or watercraft access to or near the area, and to which all over-night supplies are carried or transported to the site by means other than a motorized vehicle.

**(3)** “Bicycle” means every device propelled by the feet acting upon pedals and having one or more wheels.

**(3m)** “Motorboat” has the meaning given in s. 30.50 (6), Stats.

**(4)** “Camp” or “camping” means the use of a shelter such as a tent, trailer, motor vehicle, tarpaulin, bedroll or sleeping bag for temporary residence or sleeping purposes.

**(5)** “Camper day” means the period beginning at 3:00 p.m. and ending at 3:00 p.m. the following day.

**(6)** “Camping party” means any individual, family or non-family group occupying a campsite.

**(6m)** “Camping permit” means any permit for camping over-night that requires registration and payment of a daily fee.

**(7)** “Camping unit” means any single shelter except sleeping bags and hammocks used for a camp by a camping party except those used exclusively for dining purposes.

**(8)** “Campsite” means a segment of a campground which is designated for camping use by a camping unit or camping party.

**(8f)** “Climbing activity” includes any of the following:

(a) Ascending or descending steep rock walls, ice walls or artificial structures, usually with the assistance of specialized rock climbing equipment including ropes, webbing and carabiners.

(b) Practicing the use of specialized rock climbing equipment near the ground.

**(8m)** “Crops” means any vegetation planted as an agricultural commodity or for other use as part of a farming operation, or vegetation planted for personal consumption or aesthetics, such as a vegetable or flower garden.

**(9)** “Department” means the state of Wisconsin department of natural resources.

**(9c)** “Dispersed camping area” means an area where camping is authorized but there are no designated campsites.

**(9f)** “Dog sled” means any vehicle that glides on runners or wheels and is designed or used for conveying cargo or people and to be pulled by dogs.

**(9g)** “Dual-sport motorcycle” means a street-legal motorcycle that meets the definition of a Type 1 motorcycle in s. 340.01 (32), Stats., and can be ridden to varying degrees off-road, and is designed by the manufacturer for both on and off-road use.

**(9i)** “Edible fruits” means fleshy fruits from plants including apples, plums, pears, blueberries, raspberries, blackberries, junberries, and strawberries that are harvested for human consumption. It does not include the seeds, roots or other parts of herbaceous plants such as wildflowers or grasses.

**(9k)** “Edible nuts” means walnuts, hickory nuts, acorns and other similar nuts from trees and shrubs.

**(9m)** “Equine” means any horse, pony, donkey or hinny.

**(10)** “Family” means a parent or parents with their unemancipated children and not more than 2 guests.

**(11)** “Family campground” means any tract of land designated for camping by families or groups of 6 persons or less.

**(12)** “Group campground” means a campground designated for use by juvenile or adult groups.

**(13)** “Juvenile group” means a group made up of juvenile members of an established organization and under the leadership of at least one competent, mature adult for each 10 juveniles in the group and using any number of camping units or occupying a group campground.

**(14)** “Non-family group” means any 6 or less individuals who do not meet the definition of family.

**(14m)** “Northern flowage properties” means the Turtle-Flambeau and Willow Flowage scenic waters areas, and the Chippewa flowage.

**(15)** “Northern state forests” means the Black River, Brule River, Coulee Experimental, Flambeau River, Governor Knowles, Northern Highland, American Legion and Peshtigo River state forests.

**(15m)** “Occupy,” “occupied” or “occupying” means the camping unit, such as a tent, trailer or RV, is set up in a useable condition and for persons staying at the South Trout Lake, Plum Lake, Firefly

Lake, Crystal Lake, Muskie Lake, Carrol, Indian Mounds and Clear Lake campgrounds on the Northern Highland–American Legion state forest, includes the requirement that campers check in or register at a contact station.

**(16)** “Off-highway motorcycle” means a motor vehicle not more than 45 inches in overall width designed to travel on not more than 2 wheels in contact with the ground and is designed or modified for off-road use and is not eligible for registration with the Wisconsin department of transportation for on-road use.

**(16m)** “Organized climbing group” means a group engaged in rock climbing activities that is organized, sponsored, transported or supervised by a school, university, youth group, club, social organization, church, business, guide service or similar organization.

**(16r)** “Pedestrian” means:

(a) Any person afoot without the use of skis, skates or other similar devices.

(b) Any physically disabled person in a wheelchair, either manually or mechanically propelled, or other low-powered mechanically propelled vehicle designed specifically for use by a physically disabled person, but does not include any person using an electric personal assistive mobility device.

**(16v)** “Physically disabled person” means a person who has been issued a disabled registration plate or special identification card by the department of transportation for a disability that will last greater than one year or who has been issued an approval under s. 29.193, Stats., for a disability that will last greater than one year.

**Note:** The procedures for DOT special identification cards are found in s. 343.51, Stats., and ch. Trans 130.

**(17)** “Picnic area” means any tract of land developed and maintained for picnicking and containing not less than 5 picnic tables. Included in the definition of picnic area are adjacent playground and play field areas.

**(18)** “Private schools” means institutions meeting the criteria of s. 118.165, Stats.

**(18f)** “Proper self-registration” means depositing a completed envelope with accurate information and containing, at a minimum, the appropriate fees into a self-registration box upon entering a state park, trail, recreation area or forest.

**(18k)** “Range officer” means any department employee or person designated by the department to monitor activities on the shooting range.

**(18m)** “Registered camper” means a person camping on a campsite whose name is included on the camping permit for that campsite.

**(18t)** “Reservable remote camping” means a watercraft campsite on the Northern Highland–American Legion state forest that may have limited facilities such as pit toilets and fire rings that is reservable.

**(19)** “Shoreline zones” means that area of sand or gravel beach from the water’s edge to the first dune or to the tree line or other terrestrial vegetation, whichever is closest to the water’s edge.

**(20)** “Snowmobile” has the meaning specified in s. 340.01 (58a), Stats., and is considered to be a vehicle for the purposes of this chapter.

**(21)** “Southern state forests” means Havenwoods state forest preserve, Point Beach state forest and all units of the Kettle Moraine state forests.

**(21g)** “State natural area” has the meaning given in s. 23.27 (1) (h), Stats.

**Note:** Section 23.27 (1) (h) states “state natural area”, unless otherwise limited, means any designated state natural area or dedicated state natural area.

**(21m)** “State park” or “state forest” means the area within the project boundary approved for the state park or state forest by the natural resources board.

**(22)** “State trail” means a recreational trail designated by the department under s. NR 51.73.

**(23)** “Swimming beach” means any water area or adjacent land area designated as a swim area by standard regulatory markers or posted notice.

**(23m)** “Teepee” means a cone-shaped tent supported by poles which run from the ground through the apex of the cone, and is used for overnight camping by a family or non-family group.

**(24)** “Vehicle” means any motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, or mobile home and is further defined in s. 340.01 (74), Stats. For purposes of this chapter, a snowmobile is considered to be a vehicle.

**(25)** “Watercraft campsite” means a campsite along a waterway for use by persons traveling exclusively by watercraft.

**(26)** “Water view campsite” means a designated campsite in a state park or southern forest bordering on a body of water or with a scenic view of a body of water.

**(27)** “Yurt” means a circular, tent-like structure supported on a lattice framework with a window or windows and a hinged door and is used for overnight camping by a family or non-family group.

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**NR 45.04 General rules. (1) STATE PROPERTY.** (a) No person may destroy, molest, deface, remove or attempt to remove any natural growth or natural or archaeological feature except as follows:

1. Edible fruits, edible nuts, wild mushrooms, wild asparagus, and watercress may be removed by hand without a permit for the purpose of personal consumption by the collector.

**Note:** The collection of seeds from herbaceous plants such as grasses and wildflowers is not allowed without written authorization from the department.

2. Herbaceous plant species that are listed as prohibited plant invasive species under s. NR 40.04 (2) (b) or listed as restricted plant invasive species under s. NR 40.05 (2) (b) may be removed without a permit issued under this chapter.

3. Rocks, minerals or fossil materials may be collected for noncommercial purposes, such as educational uses and personal collections, by hand or using a hand held rock hammer or similar device in accordance with the terms of a written permit issued by the manager of the property on which the collecting is done. A collector may not remove more than 5 pounds of rock, mineral or fossil material per day from any property with a maximum total of 50 pounds per year. The permit may further limit the allowable methods and amounts of material collected.

4. Notwithstanding subd. 3., no person may collect rocks, minerals or fossil materials on state natural areas, state wild rivers, state parks, state trails, Havenwoods state forest preserve, state recreation areas, Point Beach and Kettle Moraine state forests, and any specific site which is designated as a noncollection site by the department.

(b) The department may close, by posted notice, any land, structure or property owned or administered by the state of Wisconsin and under the management, supervision and control of the department. No person may enter or be in any building installation or area that may be locked or closed to public use or contrary posted notice without a written permit from the property superintendent.

(c) Flying related activities, including but not limited to, hang gliding, parasailing, hot air ballooning, land sailing, flying model airplanes or sky diving on state parks, state recreation areas, state natural areas, Kettle Moraine and Point Beach state forests and

Lower Wisconsin state riverway shall be restricted to areas posted for their use.

(d) In-line skates or roller blades are permitted on all public highways and paved trails under department management and supervision except where posted against such use.

(e) The department may, by posted notice, restrict climbing activities on any lands subject to this chapter. Notice of climbing restrictions shall be posted at the administrative office of the property and at the site where the climbing restrictions apply.

(f) No person may transplant, relocate, stock or release any plant or animal, domesticated or wild, without written permission from the department.

**(2) CLOSING HOURS.** (a) No person may enter or be within the boundaries of any state park, state recreation area, forest campground, picnic area, beach, headquarters site, amphitheater, ice age center, posted parking areas, Point Beach state forest and specifically designated areas within the Lower Wisconsin state riverway between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and the following 6:00 a.m. except:

1. Registered campers in or enroute to their designated campsites.

2. Hunters entering department lands with established hunting seasons, provided the entry is no earlier than one hour prior to the opening of hunting hours established in s. NR 10.24.

3. Sugar River state trail.

4. Lakeshore state park. Lakeshore state park hours of operation are between 6.00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., except for persons actively engaged in fishing, persons moving through the park on designated trails, or registered guests at the marina leaving or returning to their boats.

(b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to any person who for the sole purpose of fishing:

1. Enters any of the locations listed in par. (a) prior to 11:00 p.m., or

2. Enters any state park or state forest recreation area on the opening weekend of fishing season, or

3. Uses the boat launch facilities and boat launching parking lots in the northern state forests.

4. Enters any state park or state forest recreation area one hour before sunrise.

(c) The closing hours of this subsection do not apply to individuals with written authorization from the department or to those projects or parts of projects where the department has posted other opening and closing hours or where the department has waived these hours and established different hours for special events and programs. No person may enter or be within a department property contrary to closing hours established pursuant to this subsection.

**(3) PERSONAL CONDUCT.** (a) *Disorderly conduct.* No person may engage in violent, abusive, indecent, profane, boisterous, unreasonably loud or otherwise disorderly conduct, or conduct which tends to cause or provoke a disturbance or create a breach of the peace.

(b) *Evictions.* The department may expel any person or persons from the lands under the management, supervision and control of the department for violations of any state law, administrative rule or posted rules or regulations. The period of time for which a person may be expelled is 48 hours, or for the period of their camping permit, whichever is longer. The expelled person may not return to the property before the eviction period has elapsed or enter any other state park, forest, recreation area, or any other designated camping area for a period of 48 hours after eviction. Persons expelled are not eligible for refunds for unused camping fees or vehicle admission fees. People charged with violent, assaultive or disorderly behavior may be expelled until after the case is adjudicated in court.

(c) *Observation towers.* No person may possess or consume any food or beverage, including fermented malt beverage or intoxicating liquor, when on any observation tower.

(d) *Refuse and recyclable materials.* 1. No person may dispose of any debris, waste or recyclable material except by placing the material in receptacles provided for those purposes.

2. No person may dispose of any waste or recyclable materials in any waste or recyclable receptacles or at any location if the waste or recyclable material is generated from a permanent or seasonal residence or a business or other commercial operation.

(e) *Noise.* No person may operate any sound truck, loudspeaker, generator, chainsaw, air-conditioner or other device that produces excessive, loud or unusual noises without first obtaining a written permit from the department.

(f) *Soliciting.* 1. No person may solicit or collect funds or peddle or solicit business of any nature, post signs or distribute handbills or advertising matter unless first authorized by contractual agreement.

2. In addition to the requirements of subd. 1., in the state parks, state recreation areas and southern forests, no person may engage in commercial filming or photography or provide services for a fee that involves the provider's physical presence in the state park, state recreation area or southern forest unless first authorized by contractual agreement or a department commercial use permit.

3. No person may use in any manner the dock, pier, wharf, boat landing or mooring facilities in, or on, the waters in or immediately adjacent to any lands under the management, supervision or control of the department for the purpose of soliciting rides of any kind, unless authorized by the department.

4. This paragraph does not apply to the provision of emergency repair service or tour buses originating outside of department lands.

(g) *Destruction of property.* No person may destroy, molest, possess without permission, attempt to remove or remove the property of others.

(i) *Metal detectors.* The use of metal detectors is prohibited except by written permit issued by the property superintendent.

(j) *Ski trails.* No person may hike or snowshoe on designated cross-country ski trails when the trails are snow covered.

(k) *Quiet zones.* The department may establish quiet zones by posted notice. Within quiet zones, no person may operate a radio, boombox, musical instrument, tape player or similar noise producing device, unless the noise is confined to the person through the use of a headset.

(L) *Fireworks.* No person may possess or discharge any fireworks regulated by s. 167.10 (1), Stats.

(m) *Structures.* Except as authorized by the department, no person may construct, place, occupy or use structures or store personal property on lands subject to this chapter. This paragraph does not apply to tents or canopies which are less than 100 square feet in area or other temporary structures which are used for recreational purposes and removed by 11:00 p.m. of the day they are placed on the property.

(n) *Crops.* Except when authorized by the department, no person may plant, cultivate or harvest any crop on lands subject to this chapter.

(o) *Possession of marijuana.* No person may possess 25 grams or less of marijuana or use marijuana as defined in s. 961.01 (14), Stats., unless the marijuana was obtained directly from, or pursuant to, a valid prescription or order of a practitioner, as defined in s. 961.01 (19), Stats., while acting in the course of the practitioner's professional practice or except as otherwise authorized by ch. 961, Stats.

(p) *Possession of drug paraphernalia.* No person may use or possess drug paraphernalia in violation of s. 961.573 (1), Stats.



(r) *Climbing permits.* The department may require organized climbing groups to obtain a permit prior to engaging in rock climbing activities. Permit requirements shall be posted at the administrative office for the property subject to the permit requirement. The department may use the permit to limit the number of climbers and the time, manner and location of the climbing. No climbing group or member of a climbing group may engage in climbing activities without a permit or contrary to permit conditions when at a location subject to a permit requirement.

(s) *Climbing.* No person may engage in climbing activities, including the attachment of climbing anchors, on buildings, towers and boardwalks and other similar structures.

(t) *Resisting or obstructing a law enforcement officer.* 1. No person may knowingly resist or obstruct a law enforcement officer while that officer is doing any act in an official capacity and with lawful authority.

2. In this subsection, "obstruct" includes without limitation knowingly giving false information or knowingly placing, removing or concealing physical evidence with the intent to mislead a law enforcement officer in the performance of his or her duty.

(u) *Paintball.* Except when authorized by the department, no person may engage in an activity involving the use of paintball guns, paint markers or discharge of similar devices on any lands subject to this chapter.

(v) *Campfires.* On state properties where legally authorized campfires may be built, dead and down wood may be gathered from upland areas of the property for campfire use. Driftwood or other dead and down wood located below the ordinary high water-mark of the Willow, Turtle Flambeau, and the Chippewa flowage is considered a natural feature that may not be removed or destroyed without written authorization from the department.

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**NR 45.045 Firewood.** (1) In this section, "firewood" includes limbs, branches, roots, unprocessed logs, lumber, slabs with bark, cut firewood and chips, intended for use on any property.

(2) No person may possess firewood that originates from any of the following:

(a) An area more than 25 miles from the campground, or the property itself if there is no campground, to which the firewood will be transported.

(b) An area outside the borders of the state.

(c) An area, outside of the property on which firewood will be used, where firewood is identified as a carrier of invasive terrestrial invertebrates and plant-disease causing microorganisms, including any of the following:

1. An area that is in a zone of infestation designated by the department under s. 26.30 (7), Stats.

2. An area quarantined by the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under s. 94.01, Stats.

3. An area quarantined by the U.S. department of agriculture and animal and plant health inspection service under USC 7714 or 7715.

4. An area quarantined by an American Indian tribe within the reservation of the tribe.

(d) This section does not apply to firewood from sources approved by department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection, to dimensional lumber that is debarked, kiln dried and smoothed, or artificial fireplace logs.

(e) The department may seize and dispose of firewood possessed in violation of this paragraph.

**Note:** A list of firewood sources approved by Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection can be obtained by contacting Robert Dahl, WI DATCP.

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**NR 45.05 Vehicles.** (1) **TRAFFIC AND PARKING.** (a) No person may operate any vehicle at a speed in excess of 25 miles per hour or contrary to state highway or department traffic signs.

(b) All vehicles shall stop at department property entrance stations when such stop is ordered by department signs.

(c) No person may operate or park any vehicle as defined in s. 340.01 (74), Stats., which is required to be registered by law on lands under the management, supervision and control of the department except:

1. On highways as defined in s. 340.01 (22), Stats.

2. In posted parking areas and boat ramps.

3. Overnight by permit at state trail parking areas.

4. As otherwise specifically authorized by law or administrative rule.

(d) No person may park, stop or leave standing, whether attended or unattended, any vehicle or watercraft:

1. In any manner as to block, obstruct or limit the use of any road, trail, waterway or winter sport facility, or

2. Outside of any area provided for such purposes when it is practical to use such areas, or

3. Contrary to posted notice.

(e) Any vehicle or watercraft in violation of par. (d) may be towed off the property and stored at the owner's expense.

(f) No person may operate a motor vehicle as defined in s. 340.01 (35), Stats., off highways and parking lots while under the influence of an intoxicant or a controlled substance.

(g) No person may operate a motor vehicle as defined in s. 340.01 (35), Stats., off highways and parking lots without a valid driver's license issued by this or another state or province, except for off-highway motorcycles in areas authorized for off-highway motorcycles.

(h) No person may operate an all-terrain vehicle off the developed portion of a designated all-terrain vehicle trail.

(i) Electric personal assistive mobility devices as defined in s. 340.01 (15pm), Stats., are prohibited on department lands except where authorized in the property master plan or posted open for their use.

(2) **ABANDONED VEHICLES.** No person may leave any vehicle unattended without prior departmental approval for more than 48 hours under such circumstances as to cause the vehicle to reasonably appear to have been abandoned. An abandoned vehicle shall constitute a public nuisance.

(3) **VEHICLE OPERATION.** (a) *Posted notices.* Except as provided, no vehicle may be operated on lands and waters under the supervision, management or control of the department unless its use is specifically authorized by posted notice.

(b) *Snowmobile races.* No person may conduct or engage in snowmobile races on any lands under the supervision, management or control of the department.

(c) *Speed limits.* No person operating a vehicle may violate the posted speed limit.

(d) *Persons with physical disabilities.* The department may authorize by permit persons with physical disabilities to use a motorized vehicle as a mode of personal conveyance.

**Note:** Wheelchairs used by the physically disabled are not motorized vehicles. Permits must be obtained from the property manager or designee.

(e) *Bicycles.* Except where provided in this chapter, bicycles are prohibited on all department lands except on public highways and areas or trails posted for their use. Bicycles are permitted in all areas, except where posted against such use, on the northern state forests, the Turtle–Flambeau and the Willow flowage scenic waters areas.

(f) *Bicycle trails.* Bicyclists shall stop at any stop signs which are located on designated bicycle trails.

(g) *Prohibition.* No person may ride a bicycle in a careless, negligent or reckless manner so as to endanger the life, property or persons of others on any lands under the management, supervision and control of the department.

(h) *All–terrain vehicle routes.* The department may establish all–terrain vehicle routes on northern state forests over state forest roads, under s. 23.33 (4) (b), Stats., that are:

1. Specified in a department master plan under ch. NR 44, and
2. Signed in accordance with s. NR 64.12.

(4) *AIRCRAFT.* No person may land or launch any aircraft on the water or ice of Devil’s lake in Devil’s Lake state park, Sauk county; all waters in Governor Dodge state park, Iowa county, and Willow River state park, St. Croix county; Crystal lake in the Northern Highland state forest, Vilas county; Lake of the Dalles in Interstate park, Polk county; Mauthe lake in the Kettle Moraine state forest, Fond du Lac county; Lake Seven in the Kettle Moraine state forest, Sheboygan county; Ottawa lake in the Kettle Moraine state forest, Waukesha county; Interfalls lake in Pattison state park, Douglas county; Yellowstone lake in Yellowstone Lake state park, Lafayette county, and on all waters and lands, except model aircraft and hang gliders, in the Richard Bong state recreation area, Kenosha county.

(5) *OFF-HIGHWAY MOTORCYCLES AND DUAL-SPORT MOTORCYCLES.* (a) *Noise and exhaust.* Off-highway motorcycles and dual-sport motorcycles shall have an unaltered U.S. forest service approved spark–arrestor muffler emitting a sound level not to exceed 96 decibels on the A scale when measured in the manner prescribed in the reaffirmed 1998–07, Society of Automotive Engineers Standard J1287, titled *Measurement of Exhaust Sound Levels of Stationary Motorcycles*.

**Note:** Copies and amendments of the Society of Automotive Engineers Technical Report 1998–07, Society of Automotive Engineers Standard J1287, titled *Measurement of Exhaust Sound Levels of Stationary Motorcycles*, is available for inspection in the following offices: (A) The Department of Natural Resources, 101 S. Webster St., Madison, Wisconsin 53707. (B) The Legislative Reference Bureau, One E. Main St., Madison, Wisconsin. (C) The Society of Automotive Engineers, Inc., 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, Pennsylvania 15096.

(b) *Rules.* 1. No person may operate or be a passenger or allow a person to operate or be a passenger on an off-highway motorcycle or dual-sport motorcycle without wearing protective headgear of the type required under s. 347.485 (1) (a), Stats., and with the chin strap properly fastened.

2. Minimum age for the operation of an off-highway motorcycle or dual-sport motorcycle is 12 years unless accompanied by his or her parent, legal guardian, or certified safety instructor.

**Note:** Accompanied means being subject to continuous verbal direction or control and not necessarily accompanied on the same machine.

3. No operator may refuse to stop their off-highway motorcycle or dual-sport motorcycle after being requested or signaled to do so by a law enforcement officer.

4. Any crash that results in an injury requiring treatment by a physician or a fatal incident shall be reported as soon as possible to a law enforcement officer.

5. All operators of off-highway motorcycles or dual-sport motorcycles 16 years of age or older shall have in their possession a valid state trail pass, if the property requires a state trail pass.

**History:** Cr. Register, December, 1983, No. 336, eff. 1–1–84; r. and recr. (3), r. (4) (a), Register, August, 1986, No. 368, eff. 9–1–86; r. and recr. (3) (d), Register, September, 1990, No. 417, eff. 10–1–90; r. and recr. (3) (e), Register, March, 1992, No. 435, eff. 4–1–92; am. (3) (d), renum. (4) (b) to be (4), Register, December, 1993, No. 456, eff. 1–1–94; cr. (1) (f) and am. (3) (e), Register, November, 1995, No. 479, eff. 12–1–95; am. (3) (e), cr. (3) (f) and (g), Register, December, 1997, No. 504, eff. 1–1–98; CR 01–011: am. (3) (e) Register April 2002 No. 556, eff. 5–1–02; CR 03–035: am. (4) Register December 2003 No. 576, eff. 1–1–04; CR 07–026: am. (1)

(f), cr. (1) (g) to (i) and (5) Register December 2007 No. 624, eff. 1–1–08; CR 10–042: cr. (3) (h) Register December 2010 No. 660, eff. 1–1–11.

**NR 45.055 Golf carts.** (1) In this section, “golf cart” means, except as provided in this section, a properly maintained unmodified manufacturer specification vehicle whose speed attainable in one mile does not exceed 20 miles per hour on a paved, level surface, and that is designed and intended to convey one or more persons and equipment to play the game of golf.

(2) No person may operate any golf cart on lands under the management, supervision, and control of the department unless all of the following requirements are met:

(a) The golf cart is operated within any of the following areas:

1. Boat landings 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 in the Peshtigo River State Forest, and the posted route and parking area leading to Boat Landing 13 in the Governor Thompson State Park.
2. Stephenson Town Park on High Falls Flowage in the Peshigo River State Forest.
3. Medicine Brook Road from High Falls Road south 1.8 miles to the designated scenic overlook in the Peshtigo River State Forest.
4. Other locations as posted.

(b) The golf cart is operated in all of the following ways:

1. On the extreme right side of any state forest or state park road, traveling with the flow of traffic.
2. In single file.
3. Pursuant to posted notice.

(c) The person is 16 years old or older and possesses a valid drivers license.

(d) The person is not under the influence of an intoxicant or a controlled substance.

(e) The person yields the right-of-way to all other vehicular traffic and pedestrians.

(f) The golf cart is equipped with, at all times, all of the following:

1. A slow-moving vehicle sign as prescribed by s. 347.245 (1), Stats.
2. Two lighted headlights and two lighted taillights.

**History:** CR 10–131: cr. Register August 2011 No. 668, eff. 9–1–11.

**NR 45.06 Animals.** (1) No person may allow a dog, cat or other pet in any building, in any department rental tent, tepee or yurt, or on any swimming beach, or on any Great Lakes shoreline zone as posted, picnic area, playground, fish hatchery ground, or Paradise Springs area in the southern unit Kettle Moraine state forest. Dogs, cats and other pets shall be kept on a leash not more than 8 feet long and under control at all times in all other state park areas, headquarters areas, ranger stations, campgrounds, state natural areas, in Point Beach state forest, in designated use areas in other state forests and the intensive use zone within the Richard Bong state recreation area. No person may allow his or her dog, cat or other pet to interfere in any manner with the enjoyment of the area by others.

(2) Nothing in this section shall prohibit or restrict the use of dogs for hunting purposes in any area which is open to hunting. The use of dogs for dog trials and dog training shall be restricted to areas designated by the property superintendent under permit procedures established in ch. NR 17.

(3) No person may allow their dog, cat or other animal on any cross-country ski trails during that period of the year when such trails are used for cross-country skiing, or at any time on nature trails.

(3m) No person may allow the person’s dog, cat or other animal on an observation tower.

(4) (a) Pets are prohibited in Copper Culture and Heritage Hill state parks effective January 1, 1993.

(b) Pets are prohibited in the following campgrounds effective January 1, 1993.

1. Loop 1 of Pinewoods family and group camp – Southern Unit Kettle Moraine.

2. West loop of Whitewater campground – Southern Unit Kettle Moraine.

(c) Pets are prohibited in portions of the campgrounds designated by posted notice at Nelson Dewey, Rock Island and Tower Hill state parks effective January 1, 1993.

(d) Pets are prohibited in areas designated by posted notice at Aztalan and Governor Nelson state parks effective January 1, 1993.

(e) Pets are prohibited in the south shore area of Devil's Lake state park except on paved roads and walkways while enroute to areas where pets are allowed effective January 1, 1993.

(f) Pets are prohibited in the indoor group camps and related facilities at Wyalusing state park, Kettle Moraine state forest – northern unit, the MacKenzie environmental center and the Black River state forest.

(5) Persons bringing or allowing pets in designated use areas shall be responsible for proper removal and disposal in sanitary facilities of any waste produced by these animals.

(6) (a) No person may ride, lead or fail to prevent any equine animal from being on any beach, posted or marked hiking trail, nature trail, picnic area or non-equine campground or contrary to posted notice on the northern state forests or the Turtle-Flambeau scenic waters area.

(b) Horses are prohibited on all other department lands except on public highways and areas or trails posted for their use or by permit on field trial areas.

(7) No person may ride a horse in a careless, negligent or reckless manner so as to endanger the life, property or persons of others on any lands under the management, supervision and control of the department.

(8) EXCEPTION. Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, service animals as defined in s. 106.52 (1) (fm), Stats., may accompany persons with disabilities.

**History:** Cr. Register, December, 1983, No. 336, eff. 1-1-84; am. (1), Register, December, 1987, No. 384, eff. 1-1-88; am. (5), r. and recr. (6), Register, October, 1991, No. 430, eff. 11-1-91; r. (3), (5) and (6), renum. (4) to be (3), cr. (4) to (6), Register, March, 1992, No. 435, eff. 4-1-92; r. and recr. (6) (a) and (b), r. (6) (c), cr. (8), Register, December, 1993, No. 456, eff. 1-1-94; am. (1) and (6) (a), cr. (4) (f), Register, November, 1995, No. 479, eff. 12-1-95; am. (1) and (6) (a), Register, December, 1997, No. 504, eff. 1-1-98; cr. (3m), Register, December, 1999, No. 528, eff. 1-1-00; CR 01-011: am. (4) (f) Register April 2002 No. 556, eff. 5-1-02; CR 03-035: am. (1) and (6) (a), Register December 2003 No. 576, eff. 1-1-04; CR 04-092: am. (1) and (4) (b) 1. Register April 2005 No. 592, eff. 5-1-05; correction in (8) made under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 7., Stats., Register June 2006 No. 606; CR 07-026: am. (1) Register December 2007 No. 624, eff. 1-1-08.

**NR 45.07 Fires.** (1) No person may start, tend or maintain any fire on the ground or burn any refuse except in designated fireplaces or fire rings, except for small cooking and warming fires at the following locations:

(a) Sandbars on the Lower Wisconsin state riverway.

(b) On the northern flowage properties and in non-designated use areas in the northern state forests except the Coulee Experimental state forest.

(c) Authorized camping areas without designated fireplaces or fire rings, in wildlife areas, the Pine-Popple wild river, state forests, and the Menominee River natural resources area.

(2) No person may leave any fire unattended, or throw away any matches, cigarettes, cigars or pipe ashes or any embers without first extinguishing them, or start, tend or use in any manner any fire contrary to posted notice on any lands or property under the management, supervision and control of the department.

(3) The department, in the event of threat to natural resources by the presence of forest fire hazards, may establish emergency use and burning regulations by posted notice.

**History:** Cr. Register, December, 1983, No. 336, eff. 1-1-84; am. (1), cr. (3), Register, December, 1993, No. 456, eff. 1-1-94; am. (1), Register, December, 1997, No. 504, eff. 1-1-98; CR 07-026: r. and recr. (1) Register December 2007 No. 624, eff. 1-1-08; CR 10-042: am. (1) (b) Register December 2010 No. 660, eff. 1-1-11.

**NR 45.075 Natural emergencies.** (1) The chief state forester may declare, and shall manage, emergencies that threaten forested lands owned by the state and under the jurisdiction of the department. When declaring and responding to an emergency, the chief state forester shall consider the purpose of and management plan for the affected property in his or her decisions. Emergencies include unforeseen damage or threat of damage to trees from various causes including:

(a) Fire.

(b) Invasive species including insects, plants, animals and disease-causing organisms.

(c) Pest infestation.

(d) Disease.

(e) Vertebrates.

(f) Extreme weather including:

1. Wind or tornados.

2. Snow, hail, or ice.

3. Flooding.

4. Drought.

5. Lightning.

6. Freeze or heat injury.

(g) Deliberate or accidental damage by human activity.

(2) The declaration of a forest health emergency by the chief state forester, including findings of fact supporting it, shall become effective upon the publication of the declaration in the official state newspaper. As soon after the effective date as is feasible and reasonable, the department shall publish the order in one newspaper in the area affected which is likely to give notice to residents in that area, file copies of the emergency declaration within one week of its effective date with clerks of all counties affected by the declaration and take other steps as it deems necessary to convey effective notice to persons who are likely to have an interest in the declaration. The same procedure shall be followed to cancel or modify the declaration or any part thereof. This rule does not apply to a state of emergency declared by the governor under s. 323.10, Stats., and does not supersede the authority of the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under ch. 94, Stats.

(3) In this section:

(a) "Disease" includes any disturbance of a plant that interferes with its normal structure or function.

(b) "Pest" includes any living stage of insects, mites, nematodes, slugs, snails or other invertebrate animals injurious to plants, plant products, animals and humans; any bacteria, fungi, other parasitic plants or their reproductive parts, viruses, mycoplasma, protozoans or infectious substances which cause disease in or damage to plants or plant products; and any host upon which a plant pest is dependent for the completion of all or a portion of its life cycle.

**History:** CR 07-013: cr. Register July 2008 No. 631, eff. 8-1-08; correction in (2) made under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 7., Stats., Register May 2010 No. 653.

**NR 45.08 Beaches.** (1) No person may possess or consume any food or beverage, or use any soap, detergent or shampoo on any swimming beach or in the water adjacent to any swimming beach in any state park, state recreation area or state forest.

(2) No person may swim beyond or disturb or molest a swimming beach boundary buoy or marker in any beach in any state park, state recreation area or state forest.

(3) No floating device, except coast guard approved life jackets and vests of proper size, properly worn and secured, is permitted in or upon the water at any designated beach or pool in any state park, state recreation area or state forest when a lifeguard is on duty.

(4) The department may prohibit swimming in areas adjacent to water access sites by posted notice. No person may swim within the area delineated by the posted notice.



(5) No person may fish in any marked swimming beach in any state park, state recreation area or state forest.

**History:** Cr. Register, December, 1983, No. 336, eff. 1-1-84; cr. (4), Register, March, 1992, No. 435, eff. 4-1-92; am. (3), Register, December, 1993, No. 456, eff. 1-1-94; am. (1) and (2), Register, December, 1997, No. 504, eff. 1-1-97; CR 01-011: cr. (5) Register April 2002 No. 556, eff. 5-1-02.

**NR 45.085 Shoreline zones.** (1) No person may possess any glass beverage container or other glass product on any Great Lakes shoreline zone.

(2) No person may use any soap, detergent or shampoo in waters adjacent to any Great Lakes shoreline zone.

(3) No person may light a fire or use a charcoal grill on any Great Lakes shoreline zone, except in designated grills provided by the department.

**History:** Cr. Register, December, 1993, No. 456, eff. 1-1-94.

**NR 45.09 Firearms and hunting.** (1) No person may take, catch, kill, hunt, trap or pursue any wild animal or bird, or discharge any firearm, or have in possession or under control any firearm or air gun as defined in s. 939.22, Stats., unless it is unloaded and enclosed in a carrying case, or any bow, slingshot or spring-load device designed for shooting a projectile unless the same is unstrung or enclosed in a carrying case while in any state park, fish hatchery, or within 100 yards of any state campground, picnic area or other special use area designated by the department by posted notice. No person may discharge a firearm, bow, crossbow, or airgun from, on, or across any Ice Age Trail corridor which is not open to hunting.

(2) Except for blinds used exclusively for waterfowl hunting as provided in s. 29.327 (2), Stats., and s. NR 10.12 (12), and except for blinds constructed entirely of dead vegetation found on the property, no person may do any of the following:

(a) Construct, occupy or use any elevated or ground blind or other elevated device except that portable tree stands and blinds may be used provided they are removed from the property each day at the close of hunting hours. Unoccupied tree stands shall have the owner's department customer identification number or the owner's name and address, written in the English language attached to the tree stand in a manner so it is clearly visible to a person standing on the ground, and kept legible at all times.

(b) Cause damage to trees by the placement or erection of portable tree stands or by any other manner while climbing or hunting from a tree.

(c) Hunt from any ground blind during any open season or special hunt for hunting deer with firearms unless the outside of the blind displays a minimum of 144 square inches of material that is a solid highly visible color commonly referred to as blaze orange, fluorescent orange, or fluorescent blaze orange, and is visible 360 degrees around the blind. Blinds that are left unoccupied shall have the owner's customer identification number or name and address written in the English language attached to the outside of the blind in a conspicuous location near the entrance to the blind and be kept legible at all times.

(3) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the use of these weapons on designated target ranges within the areas listed in sub. (1).

(4) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the hunting of deer as provided in s. 29.621 (4), Stats., in accordance with the open seasons established by s. NR 10.01 (3).

(5) No person may possess any loaded or uncased firearm or air gun while within the exterior boundary of state-owned lands posted with department signs in Dane, Dodge, Fond du Lac, Jefferson, Juneau, Kenosha, La Crosse, Manitowoc, Milwaukee, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Racine, Sauk, Sheboygan, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha and Winnebago counties or on state forest lands in the Kettle Moraine or Point Beach state forests, state recreation areas, state natural areas or on state trails established on railroad grades, except as follows:

**Note:** Sub. (5) (intro.) is shown as amended eff. 2-1-12. Prior to 2-1-12 it reads:

(5) No person may possess any loaded or uncased firearm or air gun while within the exterior boundary of state-owned lands posted with department signs in Dane, Dodge, Fond du Lac, Jefferson, Juneau, Kenosha, La Crosse, Milwaukee, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Racine, Sauk, Sheboygan, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha and Winnebago counties or on state forest lands in the Kettle Moraine or Point Beach state forests, state recreation areas, state natural areas or on state trails established on railroad grades, except as follows:

(a) While engaged in hunting in accordance with the open seasons established in s. NR 10.01 on the portions of properties where hunting is authorized.

(b) At target ranges designated by the department.

(c) While engaged in dog trials under department permit.

(d) While training dogs in designated areas under department permit.

(e) When paintball guns are approved pursuant to s. NR 45.04 (3) (u).

(6) The department may establish by posted notice firearm prohibition areas on and in the vicinity of the Zillmer and Scuppernong trails within the Kettle Moraine state forest except during the state deer gun and spring turkey hunting seasons. No person may possess any loaded or uncased firearm or air gun within these areas contrary to posted notice.

(7) Unless authorized by the department, no person may pursue, drive or chase animals on lands subject to this chapter that are closed to hunting.

(9) CWD STATE PARK DEER HUNTING ACCESS PERMIT. (a) Unless authorized by the department, no person may hunt deer in accordance with the hunts described in s. NR 10.01 (3) (et) without obtaining and possessing while hunting a free state park deer hunting permit and a property map identifying those areas closed to deer hunting within the park properties.

(b) The number of access permits issued will not be limited in number.

**Note:** Permits will be available at the state park office and other locations designated by the department.

(10) Except as provided under s. NR 10.275, nothing in this section shall prohibit the possession of an uncased bow, cocked and unloaded crossbow or uncased and loaded firearm or air gun for the purpose of crossing the Glacial Drumlin state trail by the shortest route possible where it is adjacent to lands that are part of the Lake Mills Wildlife Area, Jefferson County.

(11) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the possession of an uncased bow, cocked and unloaded cross bow, or uncased and loaded firearm or air gun for the purpose of crossing the travelled portion of the Ice Age Trail within State Ice Age Trail areas by the shortest route possible.

**History:** Cr. Register, December, 1983, No. 336, eff. 1-1-84; am. (4) and (5) (intro.), Register, December, 1987, No. 384, eff. 1-1-88; cr. (6), Register, May, 1993, No. 449, eff. 6-1-93; am. (2) and (5) (intro.), Register, December, 1993, No. 456, eff. 1-1-94; am. (2), Register, November, 1995, No. 479, eff. 12-1-95; corrections in (2) and (4) made under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 7., Stats., Register, November, 1998, No. 515; am. (1) and (2), cr. (7), Register, December, 1999, No. 528, eff. 1-1-00; CR 01-008: am. (5) (intro.), Register November 2001 No. 551, eff. 4-1-02; emerg. cr. (9), eff. 7-3-02; CR 03-016: cr. (9) Register August 2003 No. 572, eff. 9-1-03; CR 03-035: am. (4), Register December 2003 No. 576, eff. 1-1-04; CR 04-092: am. (5) (intro.) and (a), cr. (10) Register April 2005 No. 592, eff. 5-1-05; CR 05-017: am. (2) Register October 2005 No. 598, eff. 2-1-06; CR 05-102: r. (10) Register June 2006 No. 606, eff. 7-1-06; CR 05-086: am. (4) Register June 2006 No. 606, eff. 7-1-06; CR 06-037: am. (2) Register June 2007 No. 618, eff. 7-1-07; CR 07-015: r. and recr. (2) Register September 2007 No. 621, eff. 2-1-08; CR 08-011: cr. (5) (e) Register September 2008 No. 633, eff. 2-1-09; CR 10-042: cr. (10), am. (5) (intro.) and (a) Register December 2010 No. 660, eff. 1-1-11; CR 08-022: am. (1), cr. (11) Register December 2010 No. 660, eff. 1-1-11; CR 11-007: am. (5) (intro.) Register October 2011 No. 670, eff. 2-1-12.

**NR 45.10 Camping.** (1) GENERAL. (a) Camping is prohibited except as follows:

1. Within designated camping areas.

2. On state-owned islands in the Mississippi river.

3. On state-owned islands and sandbars in the Lower Wisconsin state riverway.

4. On other state-owned islands outside of state forest boundaries when the island is posted open to camping.

5. In state Ice Age trail areas as defined in s. NR 1.29 (3) (d) and on lands purchased for the Ice Age Trail by those hiking the Ice Age trail where the trail segment is posted open to camping.

6. On properties purchased for the North Country Trail by those hiking the North Country Trail where the trail segment is posted open to camping.

7. On state-owned sandbars on the Lower Chippewa River downstream from County Highway "H" in Dunn County to the confluence with the Mississippi River, excluding the northerly shoreline portion between Dunnville Road and the mouth of the Red Cedar River.

(b) No person may camp in designated camping areas without a permit and the payment of prescribed daily fees where required.

(c) A camping permit shall be obtained prior to setting up camp, unless otherwise posted.

(d) No camping party may move from its assigned campsite to another campsite without prior approval from the park or forest office.

(e) All camping permits expire at 3:00 p.m. on the last day of the permit period.

(f) No camping party may start setting up or taking down its camping unit between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and the following 6:00 a.m. except for juvenile or adult groups camping at the Devil's Lake North Shore campground and Governor Dodge Cox Hollow campground during the period from October 1 through April 30.

(g) Violation of any state law or any rules of the department by a member or guest of a member of a camping party is cause for revocation of the camping permit and eviction from the property.

(h) Any person without an advance camping reservation who is at a property may request a camping permit for a site to be occupied that day and one additional permit for the same time for another camping party, provided he or she has all the required information for registration to obtain both camping permits. Any person making advance reservations for a camping permit may apply for additional permits for themselves or others, providing he or she has all the required information to obtain the camping permits. Group leaders and parents of juvenile campers may obtain permits for use by juvenile or adult groups. The person to whom the campsite is registered shall be part of the camping party on that site.

(i) All registrants without an advance camping reservation shall occupy the site with a camping unit the first night of the registration and every night for the duration of the reservation. The department shall require on reserved sites that a camping unit occupy the reserved site by 3:00 p.m. on the second day of the reservation and be present for the duration of the reservation.

(j) Once a camping reservation has been confirmed, the reservation's original end date may not be extended beyond that date.

(k) The department reserves the right to reject or cancel camping reservations when necessary to protect either campers or the natural resources.

(L) If 2 camping parties are inadvertently assigned the same campsite, the department may assign one of the camping parties to another site and adjust the fees charged.

(m) Camping permits are not required and payment of daily camping fees is waived when camping on state-owned islands in the Mississippi river or state-owned islands or sandbars in the Lower Wisconsin state riverway, on state-owned sandbars on the Lower Chippewa River, on other state-owned islands outside state forest boundaries when the island is posted open to camping, in properties described in sub. (1) (a) 5. and 6., designated campsites on the Willow flowage and designated watercraft campsites in the northern state forests, Chippewa flowage, Menominee River natural resources area or the Turtle-Flambeau scenic waters area except a camping permit, reservation and fee are required on campsites B3, B4, B5, B6, B7 and B8 in the Turtle-Flambeau scenic waters area.

(n) Camping is restricted to one day only at designated watercraft campsites in northern state forests and in properties described in sub. (1) (a) 5. and 6., up to 3 days as posted on state-owned islands outside state forest boundaries, to 3 days on state-owned islands and sandbars in the Lower Wisconsin state riverway and state-owned sandbars on the Lower Chippewa River and to 10 days at designated campsites on the northern flowage properties. Camping at these locations is restricted to persons and their equipment arriving by watercraft only.

(o) No person may use family campground shower facilities in any state park or forest unless that person is a registered camper.

(p) When camping at designated campsites at the northern flowage properties, the campsite shall be occupied by the camping party on the first night camping equipment occupies the site, and the campsite may not be left unoccupied by the camping party for more than one night of the permit period.

(q) The department may terminate the reservation or registration for any site not being occupied in accordance with this subsection.

**(2) FAMILY CAMPING.** (a) No more than one camping party may occupy a single campsite. No camping party consisting of a non-family group may exceed 6 persons.

(b) No person may camp and no camping unit shall remain for a period greater than 14 days in any 3-week period in the property of registration. After 14 days, the camping unit and camping party shall be removed from the property for at least 7 days before being eligible to return. The requirement to vacate the campground for 7 days is only applicable for the following named campgrounds in the northern state forests: Crystal Lake, Muskie Lake, Firefly Lake, Clear Lake and Indian Mounds campground in the Northern Highland-American Legion state forest. For all other campgrounds in the northern forest, users may transfer to other campgrounds on the property without waiting for 7 days.

(c) Extension within the 14-day limit may be granted on camping permits if the site is available. Extension may be obtained up to the day prior to expiration of the camping permit during posted office hours at the state park or forest campgrounds. Extensions beyond the 14-day limit, for up to 7 days, may be granted on camping permits in a calendar year when camping prior to Memorial Day weekend or after Labor Day weekend if the site is available. An extension may be obtained up to the day prior to expiration of the camping permit during posted office hours at the state park or forest campgrounds.

(d) No person may park any motor vehicle outside the parking area designated at each campsite. No person may park more than 2 motor vehicles in the parking area of any campsite, except that as many as 6 motorcycles are permitted for members of a camping party registered as a non-family group.

(f) No more than one recreation trailer, pickup truck camper or motor home may occupy a campsite. Pickup campers or motor homes pulling a trailer shall be treated as a single unit.

**(2m) OUTDOOR GROUP CAMPING, BACKPACK CAMPING AND RESERVABLE REMOTE CAMPING ON THE NORTHERN HIGHLAND-AMERICAN LEGION STATE FOREST.** (a) No person may camp and no camping unit may remain on a group or backpack campsite or in backpack camping areas or on reservable remote camping sites on the Northern Highland-American Legion state forest for a period exceeding that authorized by the camping permit and in no case for a period exceeding any of the following:

1. For state parks, state recreation areas and southern forests:

a. 14 days on outdoor group sites.

b. 7 days on backpack sites.

2. For northern forests:

a. 7 days on outdoor group sites.

b. 14 days for backpack camping areas as authorized by a special camp registration permit.



c. 14 days for reservable, remote camping sites on the Northern Highland–American Legion state forest.

(am) After a site is occupied, in person or by a camping unit, for the maximum period authorized, the camping unit and camping party shall be removed from the property for at least 7 days before being eligible to return.

(b) Juvenile groups shall be accompanied by at least one adult for each 10 members of the group.

(c) No more than 10 persons may be permitted at each designated backpack campsite in the Kettle Moraine state forest. A permit shall be issued for no more than one night at each designated backpack campsite in the Kettle Moraine state forest.

(d) No more than one camping party is permitted at a backpack campsite in state parks, recreation areas, other state forests offering these backpack campsites and reservable remote campgrounds. Except as provided in par. (c), no camping party consisting of a non-family group may exceed 6 persons on a backpack campsite.

(e) All backpack campers shall pack out refuse generated while camping.

(f) No more than one camping party may occupy a single group campsite and no camping party may exceed 15 persons on the Willow Flowage scenic waters area or the Turtle–Flambeau scenic waters area.

**(3) FAMILY, OUTDOOR GROUP, BACKPACK AND RESERVABLE REMOTE CAMPSITE RESERVATIONS.** The department may grant reservations for family, outdoor group, backpack and reservable remote campsites and shall upon request provide a list of parks and forests where reservations are accepted. Reservations for family, outdoor group, backpack and reservable remote campsites may be granted under the following conditions:

(a) Reservation applications may be accepted for camping up to 11 months before the date of occupancy. The following minimum stays shall apply:

1. Family sites: 2 nights, except a minimum of 3 nights for any of the following:

a. On Labor Day and Memorial Day weekends, the stay shall include Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights.

b. When the Fourth of July is on a Friday. The stay shall include Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights of that weekend.

c. When the Fourth of July is on a Monday. The stay shall include Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights of that weekend.

2. Outdoor group sites: 1 day.

3. Reservable remote sites on the Northern Highland–American Legion state forest: 2 days.

4. Backpack sites: 1 day.

**Note:** Maximum stays are listed in sub. (2m).

(b) One-day family campsite reservations may be made starting on May 15 and ending October 31 each year for any time between those dates within the calendar year.

(c) The department may close the processing of reservations 2 days prior to date of occupancy.

(d) Reservations may be made for all available sites until all sites have been reserved for that date.

(e) A vendor reservation fee plus full payment of camping fees, in the form of a Mastercard or Visa credit card, or a check or money order, shall be included with each application.

**(4) INDOOR GROUP CAMPING AND RESERVATIONS.** The department may grant reservations and establish minimum and maximum group sizes for indoor group camps. Upon request, the department shall provide a list of parks and forests where reservations are accepted and the minimum and maximum group sizes for indoor group camps. The department may grant reservations for indoor group camps under the following conditions:

(a) Group camp reservations for Wyalusing and the Black River state forest shall be accepted only for a minimum of 2 days on weekends.

(am) The indoor group camp at Big Bay shall be utilized only by nonprofit organizations recognized by the internal revenue service under 26 USC 501(c)(1), (3) or (4) and may be reserved only for a maximum of 3 camper days.

(b) Reservation applications for indoor group camp facilities shall arrive at the park or forest office no more than one year in advance of the date the camp is to be occupied. Walk in reservations shall be held for 5 days and treated equally with mail in reservations postmarked the same day by using a random selection list.

(c) The reservation fee plus full payment of camping fees, in the form of a check or money order, shall be included with each application.

(d) Juvenile groups shall be accompanied by at least one adult for each 10 members of the group.

(e) Unless waived by the department, no group may camp for a period greater than 7 days in any 4-week period in the indoor group camp in the property of registration.

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**NR 45.11 Boats. (1)** No person may operate a boat within a water area marked by buoys or other approved regulatory devices as a swimming beach; or operate a boat in a restricted use area contrary to regulatory notice marked on buoys or other approved regulatory devices. This subsection does not apply in the case of emergency, or to patrol or rescue craft.

**(2) (a)** No person may moor, anchor or leave unattended any boat or aircraft in any state park, recreation area, state natural area or at any campground or picnic area in any state forest, except in areas designated for that purpose.

(b) No boat or aircraft may be left on shore, moored or anchored overnight in the waters of any state park, state natural area, recreation area or forest recreational area except in areas designated for that purpose or on state-owned islands designated for camping.

(c) No person may remain overnight in any boat, watercraft or aircraft anchored, moored or docked at any department-controlled dock, wharf, boat landing or marina, or other mooring area except at the marina at High Cliff state park, the marina at Lakeshore state park, at the sand delta at Kinnickinnic state park, at Eagle island (Horseshoe island) and Nicolet bay (Shanty bay) in the Peninsula state park, at the campground in Merrick state park, and at Rock Island state park.

**(3)** No person may leave any boat or watercraft on any state property contrary to posted notice except as provided in s. NR 45.11 (2) (a) and (b).

**(4)** No person may operate a motorboat of any kind in any manner on the following specified waters, except as provided in sub. (5):

(a) Lakes of the Dalles in Interstate park, section 31, T34N, R18W, and section 36, T34N, R19W, town of St. Croix Falls, Polk county.

(aa) Bass lake, section 18, T38N, R2W, town of Flambeau, Price county.

(b) Interfalls lake in Pattison state park, sections 21, 22, 27 and 28, T47N, R14W, town of Superior, Douglas county.

(bm) All waters of the Meadow Valley wildlife area in Jackson, Juneau and Monroe counties.

(d) The following waters in the Northern Highland and American Legion state forests:

1. Crystal lake, sections 27 and 28, T41N, R7E, towns of Plum Lake and Boulder Junction, Vilas county.

2. Wildwood lake, section 33, T41N, R7E, town of Boulder Junction, Vilas county.

3. Firefly lake, sections 28 and 33, T41N, R7E, town of Boulder Junction, Vilas county.

4. Little John, Jr. lake, sections 28 and 29, T41N, R7E, town of Boulder Junction, Vilas county.

5. Little Bass lake, sections 15, 16, 21 and 22, T39N, R7E, town of Woodruff, Oneida county.

6. Maple lake, sections 3 and 10, T42N, R6E, town of Boulder Junction, Vilas county.

7. Nichols lake, section 24, T42N, R6E, town of Boulder Junction, Vilas county.

8. Alva lake, sections 27 and 28, T42N, R8E, town of Plum Lake, Vilas county.

9. Salsick lake, sections 11, 12, 13 and 14, T41N, R8E, town of Plum Lake, Vilas county.

11. Allequash springs, section 14, T41N, R7E, town of Plum Lake, Vilas county.

12. Stevenson springs, sections 3 and 4, T41N, R7E, towns of Plum Lake and Boulder Junction, Vilas county.

13. Bear springs, sections 7 and 18, T41N, R8E, town of Plum Lake, Vilas county.

(dm) All waters of the Wood county public hunting grounds in Wood county.

(e) All waters in Spring Creek wildlife area, Price county.

(fm) All waters in Pershing wildlife area, Taylor county.

(gm) All waters in Muddy Creek wildlife area, Dunn county.

(i) All state-owned lands and waters within the boundaries of the Germania wildlife area, Marquette county.

(k) On all ditches, streams and flowages, except the Little Eau Pleine river, within the boundaries of the Mead wildlife area, in the counties of Marathon, Portage and Wood.

(km) Mud lake in the Goose Lake wildlife area, section 2, T7N, R12E, Dane county.

(L) On the waters of MacKenzie lake in sections 11, 12, 13 and 14, T36N, R16W, town of Bone Lake, Polk county.

(Lm) All waters of the Sandhill wildlife area in Wood county.

(m) All waters in Theresa Marsh wildlife area, Dodge and Washington counties during the open season on migratory waterfowl.

(mm) All waters in Gov. Tommy G. Thompson Centennial state park, sections 13–15, 17, 22–24, T33N, R18E, town of Stephenson, Marinette county.

(n) All waters in Eldorado wildlife area, Fond du Lac county.

(p) All waters in Collins Marsh wildlife area, Manitowoc county.

(q) On the waters of Little Falls lake in Willow River state park in sections 4, 8 and 9, T29N, R19W, town of St. Joseph, and sections 8 and 9, T29N, R19W, town of Hudson, St. Croix county.

(s) All waters of the Grand River wildlife area in Green Lake and Marquette counties.

(t) On the waters of Birch lake, section 4, T6N, R5E, town of Brigham, Iowa county.

(u) All waters of the McMillan Marsh wildlife area in Marathon county.

(v) All the waters of Cruzen and Smith lakes in the Lone Rock unit, Lower Wisconsin state riverway, Richland county.

(w) On all the waters of Jersey Valley lake, section 13, T14N, R4W, town of Christiana, Vernon county.

(x) On all the waters of Sidie Hollow lake, section 10, T12N, R5W, town of Franklin, Vernon county.

(y) All waters within the boundaries of the Powell Marsh wildlife area in the counties of Iron and Vilas, except Little Trout, Ike Walton and Sherman lakes.

(z) All waters in the Augusta wildlife area in Eau Claire county.

(zb) On Straight Lake or Rainbow Lake in Straight Lake state park.

(5) Any person possessing a physician's statement indicating that the person is not capable of rowing or paddling a boat or canoe may operate a battery-operated electric motor on waters specified in sub. (4), at a slow–no–wake speed and in no case may this speed exceed 5 miles per hour.

(6) No person may operate a motorboat of any kind in any manner except battery-powered electric motors at a slow–no–wake speed and in no case at a speed to exceed 5 miles per hour on:

(a) The waters of Devil's lake in Devil's Lake state park, sections 13 and 14, T11N, R6E, town of Baraboo, and section 25, T11N, R6E, town of Sumpter, Sauk county.

(b) All waters within Governor Dodge state park, sections 35 and 36, T7N, R3E, and sections 1, 2, 10 and 11, T6N, R3E, town of Dodgeville, Iowa county.

(c) All waters within Hartman Creek state park except Pope lake, sections 5 and 6, T21N, R11E, town of Dayton, Waupaca county.

(cm) All waters in the Browntown–Cadiz Springs recreation area, Green county.

(d) The following waters in the Northern Highland and American Legion state forests:

1. Cunard lake, sections 23 and 26, T39N, R7E, town of Woodruff, Oneida county.

2. Starrett lake, sections 13, 14, 23 and 24, T41N, R7E, town of Plum Lake, Vilas county.

3. Emerald lake, sections 32 and 33, T41N, R7E, town of Boulder Junction, Vilas county.

4. Fallison lake, section 33, T41N, R7E, town of Boulder Junction, Vilas county.

5. Lower Allequash lake, sections 16 and 17, T41N, R7E, town of Boulder Junction, Vilas county.

6. Frank lake, section 13, T41N, R7E and section 18, T41N, R8E, town of Plum Lake, Vilas county.

7. Hemlock lake, sections 8, 17 and 18, T39N, R7E, town of Woodruff, Oneida county.

8. Day lake, sections 1 and 2, T41N, R6E, town of Boulder Junction, Vilas county.

9. Nixon lake, sections 24 and 25, T42N, R7E, sections 19 and 30, T42N, R8E, towns of Boulder Junction and Plum Lake, Vilas county.

10. Dorothy Dunn lake, sections 26 and 27, T42N, R8E, town of Plum Lake, Vilas county.

11. Jean lake, sections 25 and 26, T42N, R8E, town of Plum Lake, Vilas county.

12. Eloise lake, section 25, T42N, R8E, town of Plum Lake, Vilas county.

13. Lone Tree lake, section 9, T41N, R8E, town of Plum Lake, Vilas county.

(e) The waters of Woodman lake in the Woodman unit, Lower Wisconsin state riverway, sections 1 and 12, T7N, R4W, town of Woodman, Grant county.

(f) Pigeon Creek flowage, sections 15 and 16, T20N, R2W, town of Millston, Jackson county.

(g) Vern Wolf lake within Richard Bong state recreation area, sections 15, 16, 21 and 22, T2N, R20E, town of Brighton, Kenosha county.

(h) Mauthe lake in Kettle Moraine state forest, sections 11, 12, 13 and 14, T13N, R19E, town of Auburn, Fond du Lac county.

(i) Lake Seven in Kettle Moraine state forest, section 7, T13N, R20E, town of Scott, Sheboygan county.

(j) Butler lake in the Kettle Moraine state forest, section 20, T14N, R20E, town of Mitchell, Sheboygan county.

(k) Vernon wildlife area, all waters on department owned lands within T5N, R18E, T5N, R19E and T6N, R19E, Waukesha county except the Fox (Illinois) river channel.

(L) All waters in Big Bay Sand Spit and Bog state natural area, section 13, T5ON, R3W, town of La Pointe, Ashland county.

(m) Ottawa lake in Kettle Moraine state forest, section 34, T6N, R17E, town of Ottawa, Waukesha county.

**(7)** All boats, including every description of watercraft, used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on water are prohibited from the following specified waters:

(a) On the Pinnacle Rock public fishing pond, section 16, T15N, R3W, town of Jefferson, Monroe county.

(b) Mt. Hope pond, section 4, T6N, R4W, town of Woodman, Grant county.

(d) Salmo pond, section 5, T7N, R7E, town of Cross Plains, Dane county.

(e) Token Creek Spring pond, section 34, T9N, R10E, town of Windsor, Dane county.

(f) Kickapoo springs, section 14, T16N, R1W, town of Wilton, Monroe county.

(g) Lowe Creek pond, sections 29 and 30, T22N, R5W, town of Hixton, Jackson county.

(h) Oxbow trout pond, section 23, T22N, R3W, town of Komensky, Jackson county.

(j) Robinson Creek pond, sections 21 and 28, T20N, R2W, town of Millston, Jackson county.

(k) Quarry lake, section 19, T12N, R23E, town of Belgium, Ozaukee county.

**(8)** No person may operate a motorboat of any kind in any manner except at a slow-no-wake speed and in no case at a speed to exceed 5 miles per hour on the waters of Blackhawk lake, sections 5 and 6, T6N, R2E, town of Highland and sections 7 and 8, T6N, R2E, town of Eden, Iowa county.

**(9)** Air boats may not be operated on lands and waters under the supervision, management or control of the department unless their use is specifically authorized by posted notice.

**(10)** No person may launch or remove a motorboat of a type restricted on that waterbody in the property's master plan under the authority of s. NR 44.07 (4) (d), (5) (d), or (6) (h). Notice of the prohibition shall be posted at the launch site.

**Note:** Pursuant to the applicability provisions of s. NR 45.02, this provision will apply only to the launching and removal of motorboats from department-owned or managed properties.

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**NR 45.12 Fees and charges. (1) ADMISSION FEES.** (a) No person may operate or park any motor vehicle or trailer or semitrailer in the Richard Bong state recreation area, in the Point Beach state forest, in developed recreational areas in other state forests as designated in par. (b), in designated use zones within recreation areas established under s. 23.091 (3), Stats., or in any state park or roadside park except those designated in par. (c) and those specified in s. 27.01 (7) (c), Stats., unless the vehicle displays a vehicle admission receipt in the manner specified by the department on the receipt or at the place of purchase.

(b) The following state forest areas are designated by the department as vehicle admission areas:

1. Black River state forest:

- a. Castle Mound campground and picnic area
- b. East Fork campground and picnic area
- c. Pigeon Creek campground and picnic area
- d. Robinson Creek beach and picnic area
- e. East Fork indoor group camp and parking area
- f. East Fork horse campgrounds

2. Brule River state forest:

- a. Copper Range campground
- b. Bois Brule campground and picnic area

3. Flambeau River state forest:

- a. Connors Lake campground
- b. Connors Lake picnic area

c. Lake of the Pines campground

4. Kettle Moraine state forest — northern unit:

- a. Long Lake area
- b. Mauthe Lake area
- c. Greenbush group camp
- d. New Prospect bridle trail camp area
- e. Zillmer trail parking area
- f. Butler Lake parking area
- g. Parnell tower parking area
- h. Greenbush picnic and ski parking areas
- i. Highway 28 glacial trail parking area
- j. Highway 28 snowmobile and horse trail parking area
- k. Highway SS snowmobile parking area
- L. New Fane trail parking area.
- m. Highway H snowmobile and horse trail parking area.
- n. Highway P Ice Age Trail parking area
- o. Shelter 5 parking area
- p. Highway S Bridle Trail parking area
- q. Highway U Dog Training parking area
- r. Greenbush Kettle parking area
- s. Kellings Lake Dog Training parking area
- t. Crooked Lake boat access area parking
- u. Auburn Lake boat access area parking
- v. Lake Seven boat access area parking
- w. Little Mud Lake picnic parking area
- x. Spruce Lake Bog parking area
- y. Highway H Ice Age Trail parking area
- z. Youth Camp Road Bridle Trail parking area
- za. Highway 67 Bridle Trail parking area
- zb. Forest Lake access

5. Kettle Moraine state forest — southern unit:

- a. Whitewater area
- b. Ottawa Lake area
- c. McMiller Sports Center for non-shooters
- d. Ottawa field trial grounds
- e. Horseriders campground
- f. Pine Woods camp area
- g. Scuppernong picnic and hiking trail area
- h. Scuppernong Springs nature trail parking area
- i. Emma Carlin trail parking area
- j. Nordic and John Muir trail parking areas
- k. Ottawa trail parking area
- L. Eagle — Palmyra trail parking areas
- n. D.J. Mackie picnic area
- o. Hickory Woods group camp
- p. Paradise Springs



- q. Highway 67 wayside
- r. Eagle Dog Trial Grounds
- s. Stute Springs nature trail parking area
- t. Blackhawk (Hwy 12) parking area
- u. Lone Tree Bluff nature trail parking area
- v. Bald Bluff nature trail parking area
- 6. Kettle Moraine state forest — Lapham Peak unit.
- 7. Northern Highland state forest:
  - a. Big Lake campground
  - b. Buffalo Lake campground
  - c. Carroll Lake campground
  - d. Clear Lake campground, beach and picnic area
  - e. Crystal Lake campground, beach and picnic area
  - f. Cunard Lake campground
  - g. Firefly Lake campground
  - h. Indian Mounds campground
  - i. Jag Lake group campground
  - j. Muskie Lake family and group campgrounds
  - k. Plum Lake campground
  - L. Razorback Lake campground
  - m. Sandy Beach Lake campground, beach and picnic area
  - n. Star Lake campground
  - o. Starrett Lake campground
  - p. Trout Lake campground — north and south
  - q. Upper Gresham Lake campground
- 8. Governor Knowles state forest
  - a. St. Croix campground
  - b. Trade River horse campground
- 9. Peshtigo River state forest
  - a. Old Veteran's Lake
- (c) The following areas are determined by the department as state parks in which vehicle admission receipts are not required:
  - 1. State trails
  - 4. Lost Dauphin
  - 6. Peninsula state park golf course (May 1 through October 31); applies to golfers and clubhouse patrons only
  - 7. Cross Plains
  - 8. Heritage Hill state park
  - 9. Havenwoods state forest preserve
  - 10. Copper Culture
  - 11. Rib Mountain leased area
  - 12. Rock Island.
- (d) The following state parks, recreation areas, forest recreation areas and state natural areas are designated by the department as areas in which vehicle admission receipts are required, except as otherwise provided, from January 1 through December 31:
  - 1. Governor Dodge state park
  - 2. Pattison state park
  - 3. Mirror Lake state park
  - 4. Perrot state park
  - 5. Interstate park
  - 6. Wildcat Mountain state park
  - 7. Willow River state park
  - 8. Richard Bong state recreation area
  - 9. High Cliff state park
  - 10. Peninsula state park
  - 11. Potawatomi state park
  - 12. Terry Andrae state park
  - 13. John M. Kohler state park
  - 14. Hartman Creek state park
  - 15. Devil's Lake state park
  - 16. Big Foot Beach state park
  - 17. Point Beach state forest
  - 18. Wyalusing state park
  - 19. All designated developed recreational areas on the Kettle Moraine state forest as listed in par. (b) 5. and 6.
  - 20. Lake Kegonsa state park
  - 21. Lake Wissota state park
  - 22. Pike Lake Unit Kettle Moraine state forest
  - 23. Yellowstone Lake state park
  - 24. Newport state park
  - 25. Blue Mound state park
  - 26. Copper Falls state park
  - 27. Council Grounds state park
  - 28. Harrington Beach state park
  - 29. Merrick state park
  - 30. Whitefish Dunes state park
  - 31. Governor Nelson state park
  - 35. Chippewa Moraine state recreation area
  - 36. Rib Mountain state park
  - 37. Amnicon Falls state park
  - 38. Big Bay state park
  - 39. Browntown — Cadiz Springs state recreation area
  - 40. Brunet Island state park
  - 41. Buckhorn state park
  - 42. Kinnickinnic state park
  - 43. Natural Bridge state park
  - 44. Nelson Dewey state park
  - 45. New Glarus Woods state park
  - 46. Roche-A-Cri state park
  - 47. Rocky Arbor state park
  - 48. Tower Hill state park
  - 49. Governor Knowles state forest — St. Croix campground
  - 50. Capital Springs Centennial state park and recreation area
  - 51. Governor Thompson state park
  - 52. Mill Bluff state park
  - 53. Aztalan state park
  - 54. Parfrey's Glen state natural area
- (f) Admission fees shall be waived at all state parks, state recreation areas, and state forest vehicle admission areas as follows:
  - 2. Persons with disabilities and their personal care attendants brought by a nonprofit organization recognized by the internal revenue service under [26 USC 501 \(c\) \(1\) or \(3\)](#) whose primary purpose is the improvement of the mental or physical health of the individual. Applications on department forms for the fee waiver shall be received by the property for which the fee waiver is sought along with proof of nonprofit status at least 7 days prior to arrival.
- Note:** A copy of the form may be obtained from state park and forest offices.
- 4. For vehicles in which persons are picking up or dropping off juvenile group campers.
- 5. For off-road motorcycles as defined in [s. NR 45.03 \(15\)](#) and mopeds, when trailered or towed into the property and motor-powered hang gliders (commonly called ultralights) flown or trailered into the property for operation in the special use zone of the Bong state recreation area.
- (2) **CAMPING FEES.** No person may use any facility, land or area for which a fee or charge has been established by the department without payment of the fee or charge as listed in the following schedule. All fees under this subsection include state sales tax except for juvenile group camping, and juvenile and adult group camping at the north shore campgrounds in Devil's Lake state park.
- (a) **Camping.** The fees for camping are established in [s. 27.01 \(10\)](#), Stats.
- 1. Campgrounds in state parks, southern forests, northern forests and recreation areas, and on state trails are type "A" campgrounds.
- 3. Kinnickinnic sand delta — overnight boat mooring . . . \$15.00 per boat per day.

- (b) Other charges
1. Electricity . . . . . \$5.00 per unit per night
  2. Firewood . . . . . \$3.00 per bundle (except for firewood sold by concessionaires)
  3. Additional family camping fees for Type "A" campgrounds in the state parks, southern state forests and northern state forests.
  4. Additional camping fees may be charged for waterview campsites not to exceed \$5.00 per night for type "A" campgrounds.
  5. Based on local market conditions, additional camping fees of \$3.00 per campsite per night shall be charged at the following campgrounds:
    - a. Devil's Lake state park
    - b. Kohler-Andrae state park
    - c. Mirror Lake state park
    - d. Peninsula state park
    - e. Big Bay state park
    - f. Point Beach state forest
    - g. Willow River state park
    - h. Hartman Creek state park
    - i. Copper Falls state park
    - j. Council Grounds state park
    - k. Governor Dodge state park
    - L. High Cliff state park
    - m. Newport state park
    - n. Pattison state park
    - o. Potawatomi state park
    - p. Rock Island State Park
    - q. Crystal Lake, Clear Lake, Firefly Lake and Muskie Lake campgrounds within the Northern Highland - American Legion state forest.
  - (c) Group camping (group campgrounds)
    1. Outdoor non-family group camping
      - a. Group rate 1 to 20 persons . . . . . \$40.00 per night
      - b. Each additional interval of 10 or part thereof . . . . . \$20.00 per night
      - c. Minimum per group per night . . . . . \$40.00 per night
      - d. Maximum per group per night . . . . . \$300 per night
      - e. Outdoor group campsites with electricity will charge one to 20 persons \$60.00, 21 to 30 persons \$80.00 and 31 to 40 persons \$100.00 per night.
    3. Group camps (buildings)
      - a. Big Bay group camp and Black River state forest . . . . . \$3.00 per person per day
      - . . . . . \$40.00 minimum per group per day
      - b. Wyalusing group camp . . . . . \$6.00 per person per day
      - . . . . . \$300.00 minimum per group per day.
      - c. Point Beach state forest . . . . . \$5.00 per person per day
      - . . . . . \$60.00 minimum per group per day.
    5. Outdoor group campgrounds at Council Grounds state park shall charge the following rates:
      - a. Site A, capacity of 32 people with three electrical pedestals: \$135 per night.
      - b. Site B, capacity of 32 people, with three electrical pedestals: \$135 per night.
      - c. Site C, capacity of 22 people, with one electrical pedestal: \$80 per night.
    - (d) All reservation, family and outdoor group camping fees are waived for persons with disabilities and their personal care attendants brought by a nonprofit organization recognized by the internal revenue service under 26 USC 501 (c) (1), (3) or (4) whose primary purpose is the improvement of the mental or physical health of the individual. The nonprofit organization shall apply to the

department on the required forms for a department identification number prior to arrival at the property for which the fee waiver is sought. Memorial Day through Labor Day, fee waiver approvals may only be granted for Sunday through Thursday nights, and only with a prior camping reservation.

**Note:** The required forms may be obtained from the Bureau of Parks and Recreation at 101 S. Webster Street, Box 7921, Madison, WI 53707-7921.

(3) TRAIL FEES. (a) No person 16 years of age or older, except pedestrians or snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle riders, may use trails posted pursuant to par. (b) unless the person has in his or her possession a valid state trail pass.

(b) State trails and trails on other department lands on which a state trail pass is required shall be designated by the department with markers or signs.

(c) The state trail pass system consists of the following admission fees:

1. Annual . . . . . \$20.00
2. Daily . . . . . \$4.00

(d) State trail passes are not transferable.

(4) OTHER FEES. No person may use any facility, land or area for which a fee or charge has been established by the department without payment of such fee or charge as listed in the following schedule: The fees listed in this subsection include the state sales tax.

(a) Blue Mound state park swimming pool

1. Adults . . . . . \$2.00 per day
2. Children (2 - 12) . . . . . \$1.00 per day
3. Children under 2 . . . . . No fee
4. Special programs as established by the department

(b) McMiller sports center, when operated by the department.

1. Pistol range . . . . . \$5.00 per hour
2. 100 yard range . . . . . \$5.00 per hour
3. Plinking range . . . . . \$5.00 per hour
4. Archery range . . . . . \$5.00 per hour
5. Shotgun trap range . . . . . \$5.00 per round of 25 shots
6. Shotgun patterning range . . . . . \$5.00 per 5 targets
7. Organized matches . . . . . \$100 per group per day
8. Hunter safety course . . . . . \$1.00 per hour

(c) No person may use any concession or area without payment of applicable fees or charges established under contract between the department and concessionaire.

(d) Admission fees under s. 27.01 (9), Stats.

(e) Rock Island state park overnight boat mooring fee . . . . . \$1.00 per foot of length per night

(f) *Richard Bong state recreation area.* 1. 'Special use zone.' The zone shall be available to groups for special events by reservation for \$25.00 per event. The reservation fee is nonrefundable.

2. 'Hunting zone.' A vehicle admission sticker, hunting and trapping license as well as hunting and trapping administrative fees are required for hunting and trapping in the Richard Bong state recreation area.

a. Pheasant hunting . . . . . \$3.00/person/day

In the event pheasant stocking cannot be done on the previous day or days, the pheasant hunting fee will be \$1.00/person/day.

b. All other hunting . . . . . \$1.00/person/day

c. Trapping . . . . . \$10.00 per season

d. Administrative fee. A hunting administrative fee of \$3.00 shall be paid at the time the reservation is requested and is non-refundable once the reservation is confirmed.

(g) The department may grant building, shelter and picnic area reservations and shall upon request provide a list of parks and forests where reservations are accepted. The fees are:

1. a. Open picnic area shelters . . . . . \$40.00 per group per day.
- b. Open picnic shelter with electricity . . . . . \$45.00 per group per day.

- c. Open shelter with electric and kitchen/serving area ..... \$55.00 per group per day.
- 2. a. Enclosed shelters ..... \$70.00 per group per day.
- b. Enclosed shelter with electricity and seating capacity less than 50 ..... \$80.00 per group per day.
- c. Enclosed shelter with electricity and seating capacity more than 50 ..... \$100.00 per group per day.
- 3. Picnic areas ..... \$60.00 per group per day.
- 4. McMiller sports center, Southern Unit Kettle Moraine — \$100.00 per group per day during the period when the vehicle admission sticker is not required, and when operated by the department.
- 5. Visitor center auditorium .... \$10 per hour, except for government sponsored activities.
- 6. Other reservable facilities such as amphitheatres, overlooks, boat mooring areas, teepees and yurts: Fees to be established by the department.
- 7. Reservations are made directly with property staff and may be accepted up to 11 months in advance of the rental date. Applicants who cancel a reservation at least 21 days in advance shall receive a refund of 50% of the facility rate payment less a \$10.00 reservation fee. Refunds will not be given for cancellation requests received less than 21 days before the facility was to be rented.
- (h) Visitors using areas posted subject to self-registration requirements for either vehicle admission stickers, trail passes, mooring fees or camping fees shall pay an additional \$5.00 registration fee if they fail to properly self-register or pay at the park office.
- (i) Use of dump station for non-registered campers \$3.00, in addition to park sticker.
- (j) The department may charge participants of department sponsored special events or programs a fee sufficient to cover the cost of providing the program.
- (k) The fee for a commercial use permit shall be \$50.00 per year, in addition to any applicable admission fee.

**(5)** This section does not apply to department lands under lease or agreement which provides otherwise. No person may use any facilities without proper payment of appropriate fees established by a lessee or contractor.

**Note:** For a complete history of s. NR 45.12 from January 1, 1984, through January 1, 2011, see the History note following s. NR 45.12 published in *Register December 2010, No. 660*.

**History:** Am. (1) (a), (c) (intro.) and (d) (intro.), *Register, November, 1998, No. 515*, eff. 1-1-99; am. (2) (a) 1. n., *Register, December, 1999, No. 528*, eff. 1-1-00; CR 01-011: am. (1) (b) 2. b. and (c) 6., cr. (1) (b) 2. e. and f., r. (1) (c) 5. *Register April 2002 No. 556*, eff. 5-1-02; CR 03-035: am. (1) (a), (d) 8., 22. and (2) (b) 1., (2) (c) 1. a. to c. and 3. a. and b., (2) (d), (3) (b) and (c), (4) (a) 1. and 2., (e), (f) 2. and (h), cr. (1) (b) 5. n. to z., 6. q. to v., (d) 50. to 53., (2) (b) 4., (c) 3. c. and (4) (k), renum. (1) (b) 6m., 7. and 8. to be (1) (b) 7. to 9., r. (1) (c) 2., r. and recr. (2) (a) 1. and 2., *Register December 2003 No. 576*, eff. 1-1-04, except (2) (a) 1. and 2., (b) 1., 4., (c) 1. a. to c. and 3. a. to c., eff. 3-1-04; CR 04-092: am. (1) (b) 1. e. and 8. o., (2) (a) 1., 2. and (b) 3., (3), (4) (g) 1., 2. and (h), cr. (1) (b) 1. g., (2) (b) 5., (c) 1. e. and (3) (d) *Register April 2005 No. 592*, eff. 5-1-05, except (2) (b) 5., (c) 1. e. and (4) (g) 1. and 2. are eff. 8-1-05; CR 07-026: cr. (1) (b) 10., am. (2) (b) 3., 5., (3) (c) 1., (4) (g) 6., r. and recr. (4) (g) 7. *Register December 2007 No. 624*, eff. 1-1-08; CR 10-042: cr. (1) (d) 54., (2) (b) 5. p., q. and (c) 5., am. (1) (d) (intro.), 51., (2) (a) 1., (b) 3., 4., (c) 3. b. and (4) (k), r. (1) (b) 1., (f) 1., (2) (a) 2., (c) 2. and 4., renum. (1) (b) 2. to 10. to be (1) (b) 1. to 9. and am. (1) (b) 7. and 8. *Register December 2010 No. 660*, eff. 1-1-11.

**NR 45.13 Specific property rules. (1) STATE NATURAL AREAS — GENERAL.** Within the boundaries of state natural areas posted with appropriate signs:

- (a) No person may take, catch, kill, trap, pursue or remove any wild animal, without written permission from the department. Unless otherwise posted, a person may hunt, fish or trap in accordance with the open seasons as established by chs. NR 10 and 20.
- (c) No person may destroy, remove or attempt to remove any plant or plant part, without permission from the department except as provided for in s. NR 45.04 (1) (a) 1. and 2.
- (e) No person may engage in rock climbing except at the Dalles of the St. Croix state natural area in Interstate state park and

the East Bluff state natural area at Devil's Lake state park, or other areas where the management plan allows rock climbing and in which climbing is allowed by posted notice.

**(1m) DELLS OF THE WISCONSIN RIVER STATE NATURAL AREA.**

(a) No person may enter or be in the Dells of the Wisconsin River state natural area, including sandbars, between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and the following 5:00 a.m. from May 15th to September 15th, and between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and the following 5:00 a.m. from September 16th to May 14th except where the department has waived these hours and established different hours for special events and programs.

(b) No person may possess any glass containers in the Dells of the Wisconsin River state natural area.

(c) No person may light a fire or use a charcoal grill in the Dells of the Wisconsin River state natural area.

(d) No person may operate a boat at a speed greater than slow-no-wake as defined in s. 30.50 (12), Stats., in the waters of the Wisconsin River within the designated state natural areas from Coldwater Canyon (N43° 39' 18.06") downstream approximately 3,700 feet to the area known as Chapel Gorge (N43° 38' 53.58").

**(2) PARFREY'S GLEN, NATURAL BRIDGE, ROCHE-A-CRI MOUND, PEWITT'S NEST, OAKFIELD LEDGE AND GIBRALTAR ROCK STATE NATURAL AREAS.** (a) No person may possess or consume any food or beverage in the Parfrey's Glen state natural area, Natural Bridge state natural area, Roche-A-Cri Mound state natural area, Pewitt's Nest state natural area or Oakfield Ledge state natural area.

(b) No person may enter or be in Parfrey's Glen state natural area and surrounding and adjacent lands in sections 22 and 23, township 11 north, range 7 east, Sauk county, the Natural Bridge state natural area, Pewitt's Nest state natural area or Gibraltar Rock state natural area between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

(c) No person may hike in any area of Parfrey's Glen state natural area, Natural Bridge state natural area or Roche-a-Cri Mound state natural area other than on a trail specifically designed and signed for that purpose, except for that portion of the gorge at Parfrey's Glen state natural area that lies within 20 feet of Parfrey's Glen Creek as it flows between the end of the designated hiking trail and the base of the waterfall in the NE1/4 SE1/4 NE1/4 of section 23, township 11 north, range 7 east, or unless authorized to do so in writing by the department.

(d) No person may enter or be in Roche-A-Cri Mound state natural area between the hours of sunset and 6:00 a.m.

(e) No person may enter or be in Oakfield Ledge state natural area between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. except as provided for in s. NR 45.04 (2) (a) 2.

**(2g) INCH LAKE STATE NATURAL AREA.** (a) No person may possess or transport live fishing bait within 50 feet of the shoreline of Inch Lake on Inch Lake state natural area.

(b) No person may possess fish harvested from the waters of Inch lake on Inch Lake state natural area.

(c) No person may possess or transport a watercraft motor or motorized watercraft within 50 feet of the shoreline of Inch lake on Inch Lake state natural area.

**Note:** These conditions are required by the Articles of Dedication and Conservation Easement for Inch Lake state natural area accepted by the department at the time of acquisition.

**(2m) STATE PARKS, RECREATION AREAS AND SOUTHERN FOREST AREAS.** Within the boundaries of state parks, state recreation areas and southern forests, no person may take, pursue, catch, kill, trap or remove any wild animal without written permission from the department except as follows:

- (a) Fishing in accordance with ch. NR 20.
- (b) Hunting in accordance with ch. NR 10 and s. NR 45.09.
- (c) Killing of biting or nuisance insects.
- (d) Harvest of crayfish in accordance with s. NR 19.26.
- (e) Trapping on southern forests or state recreation areas in accordance with ch. NR 10 and this chapter.



(f) Arthropods collected for purposes of study as part of participation in a department sponsored naturalist or educational program. All collected animals shall be released on the property from which obtained and may not be removed from the property.

**(3) BIG FOOT BEACH STATE PARK.** No person may drink or possess any intoxicating liquor or fermented malt beverage in Big Foot Beach state park.

**(4) BLUE MOUND STATE PARK.** Violations of any state law, administrative code or any posted user conduct rules of the Blue Mound state park swimming pool by any person is cause for revocation of the pool use privilege.

**(5) DEVIL'S LAKE STATE PARK.** (a) No person may operate or use a combustion engine as a power source for a skin diver's generator or air supply (commonly referred to as an air buoy or similar device) on or in the waters of Devil's lake in Devil's Lake state park, sections 13 and 14, T11N, R6E, town of Baraboo, and section 25, T11N, R6E, town of Sumpter, Sauk county.

(b) No person may fish with, possess or control any spear, spear gun, bow and arrow or similar device designed for shooting a projectile unless enclosed in a carrying case while within the boundaries of Devil's Lake state park.

**(7) HERITAGE HILL STATE PARK.** No person may drink or possess any intoxicating liquor or fermented malt beverage in Heritage Hill state park except at special events or programs authorized by the department.

**(8) HIGH CLIFF STATE PARK.** In the waters of High Cliff state park marina, Calumet county, no person may:

(a) Operate a boat or other watercraft at a speed in excess of that required for steerage.

(c) Anchor, moor or dock a boat or watercraft except in the areas provided and designated.

(d) Swim in the marina channel, basin or dock area.

(e) Water ski in the marina area including the channel, and that area of the channel outlet in Lake Winnebago marked by buoys.

**(8m) INTERSTATE STATE PARK.** No person may jump or dive into the St. Croix river from the park boat ramp upstream to the highway 8 bridge.

**(9) KINNICKINNIC STATE PARK.** (a) All boats mooring offshore overnight within the boundary of Kinnickinnic state park shall be equipped with holding tank and toilet.

(b) The following regulations are applicable to the Kinnickinnic delta use area:

1. Tent camping is restricted to boaters with watercraft which are 22 feet or less in length, and do not have a cabin or cubby suitable for on-board sleeping. Tent campsites are not available to passengers of a vessel larger than 22 feet, any camping party using the lifeboat or dingy of a vessel larger than 22 feet moored elsewhere in the park, or to any camping party whose watercraft is not moored in the immediate vicinity of the campsite.

2. Tent camping is only permitted when department toilet facilities are provided.

3. Tents are restricted to designated campsites.

4. When department toilet facilities are not provided, no person may moor or anchor a watercraft overnight unless equipped with a holding tank and toilet.

(c) Kinnickinnic state park delta tent campground — camping restricted to boaters only — tents are restricted to designated campsites.

**(10) PENINSULA STATE PARK.** (a) Violations of any state law, administrative code, or any posted regulations at the Peninsula state park golf course by any person is cause for revocation of the golfing privilege.

(b) No person may scavenge golf balls on the golf course except by written permit issued by the superintendent.

(c) Alcoholic beverages may not be possessed or consumed on the golf course or in the clubhouse at Peninsula state park.

**(10m) Downhill skiers and snowboarders** are not permitted outside of the leased area of Granite Peak ski area within Rib Mountain state park.

**(11) ROCK ISLAND STATE PARK.** No person may operate a motor vehicle except for motor-driven sleds, toboggans or other snowmobiles on state-owned lands in Rock Island state park.

**(11m) STRAIGHT LAKE STATE PARK.** The following rules are established for the use of the Straight Lake State Park:

(a) No person may possess any glass containers.

(b) No person may operate a gasoline powered ice auger

**(12) WHITEFISH DUNES STATE PARK.** No person may hike in any area other than on a trail specifically designed and signed for that purpose in the dune portion of the Whitefish Dunes state natural area in Whitefish Dunes state park unless authorized to do so in writing by the department.

**(13) YELLOWSTONE LAKE STATE PARK.** On the waters of Yellowstone lake in Lafayette county, no person may operate a motorboat at a speed greater than 5 miles per hour or in excess of steerage or no wake speed when within 200 feet of the shoreline, or operate any motorboat in any area where notices are posted prohibiting the operation and use of motorboats except that battery-powered electric motors may be operated in the posted areas at a slow-no-wake speed and in no case at a speed to exceed 5 miles per hour. On these waters, no person may operate a motorboat towing a person on water skis, aquaplane or similar device between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and the following 10:00 a.m. No person may leave any boat unattended whether anchored, moored or beached on the waters of Yellowstone lake or on the land within the boundaries of the Yellowstone wildlife area or Yellowstone Lake state park except within the areas designated and posted for these purposes.

**(13m) YELLOWSTONE WILDLIFE AREA.** The following rules are established for the use of the Yellowstone wildlife area shooting range in Lafayette County:

(a) The possession or consumption of malt, fermented or alcoholic beverages is prohibited within the area maintained as the shooting range.

(b) No glass, plastic, clay, breakable or metal materials may be used as targets.

(c) Firearms shall be pointed down range while at designated firing lines.

(d) Firearms shall be unloaded and their actions open except while on the firing lines.

(e) No person may leave a loaded firearm unattended at any time.

(f) All spent shell casings and cartridges, live ammunition, targets, and materials brought onto the range shall be collected and disposed of properly off the range.

(g) No person may discharge a firearm on the range while any part of a person is down range of the firing line.

(h) A cease fire may be called for by the range officer at any time. A cease fire may be called for by any person if an unsafe or illegal condition exists.

(i) Burning of materials or refuse is prohibited at the shooting range.

(j) Use of shot size BB or smaller is not permitted on a 25 yard range.

(k) Shooting the archery targets with a firearm is prohibited.

(L) Firearms or air rifles that discharge paint are prohibited.

(m) No person may engage in careless or reckless behavior that may endanger the safety of themselves, other persons, or any property.

(n) No person under 18 years of age shall be present on the range unless accompanied by an adult or unless the person is at least 14 years of age and in possession of a valid certificate of accomplishment issued under s. 29.591, Stats.

(o) This section does not apply to training activities conducted by a law enforcement agency.

**(14) BRULE RIVER STATE FOREST.** (a) On department–owned or managed lands on the Brule river in the Brule River state forest, boats or other watercraft may only be launched or removed at the following designated launching sites:

1. County highway P (T45N, R11W, sec. 8)
2. Stone Chimney fisher access (T46N, R11W, sec. 35)
3. Stone's bridge (T46N, R10W, sec. 30)
4. Winnebougou canoe landing (T47N, R10W, sec. 34)
5. Bois Brule campground (T47N, R10W, sec. 23)
6. Highway #2 (T47N, R10W, sec. 14)
7. Copper Range campground (T48N, R10W, sec. 26)
8. Pine Tree canoe landing (T48N, R10W, sec. 26)
9. Highway #13 (T49N, R10W, sec. 34)
10. Mouth of the Brule (T49N, R10W, sec. 10)

(b) No person may possess any of the following containers on the Brule river within watercraft launched from or removed at designated launching sites specified in par. (a) on the Brule river state forest:

1. Glass bottles.
2. Unopened or empty beverage containers that are not secured in a larger container that is fastened to the watercraft.

**(14m) FLAMBEAU RIVER STATE FOREST.** No person may possess glass bottles within the Flambeau River state forest boundary at Little Falls–Slough Gundy scenic area or within watercraft launched or removed from designated launching sites on the Flambeau river.

**(15) HAVENWOODS STATE FOREST PRESERVE.** The following rules and regulations are established for the use of the Havenwoods state forest preserve in Milwaukee county.

(a) No person may drink or possess any intoxicating liquor or fermented malt beverage.

(b) Pets are prohibited in areas designated by posted notice.

(c) No person may enter or be within the exterior boundaries of the Havenwoods state forest preserve between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. except when participating in an activity approved in advance by the property superintendent.

(d) No person may take, catch, kill, or remove any animal or pick, collect, or remove any plant or part thereof, without a written permit issued by the property superintendent.

(e) No person may launch or land any powered model aircraft unless done in accordance with the terms and conditions of a permit first obtained from the property superintendent.

**(16) KETTLE MORAINÉ STATE FOREST, SOUTHERN UNIT.** The following rules and regulations are established for the use of the McMiller Sports Center in the southern unit Kettle Moraine state forest when operated by the department:

(a) No person under 16 years of age shall be present on the range unless accompanied by an adult or in possession of a valid department hunters safety certificate.

(b) Guns shall be unloaded and encased within a carrying case except when a person is on the firing line.

(c) Guns shall be pointed down range at all times while on the firing line and gun actions shall be open except when actually in position at firing line.

(d) No person shall leave a loaded gun unattended at any time.

(e) No portion of a person's body may be permitted in advance of the firing line except during cease fires called by range officer to check targets.

(f) Any person who observes an unsafe condition or practice on the range is authorized to call for a cease fire.

(g) There shall be a cease fire on all ranges as called for by range officer to check targets.

(h) No breakable targets are allowed on any range; targets shall be picked up on all ranges including the plinking range. This rule does not apply to the shotgun trap range.

(i) All spent and live shells shall be picked up by the shooters.

(j) Only rim fire ammunition shall be permitted on the plinking range.

(k) No minors with handguns may be permitted unless supervised by a parent or guardian or person at least 18 years of age appointed by parent or guardian.

(L) Weapons deemed to be unsafe by range officer may not be permitted on the range at any time.

(m) Single load only permitted on all ranges except pistol range and fully automatic fire is prohibited.

(n) Violation of any shooting range regulation is cause for dismissal from the range.

(o) The possession or consumption of malt, fermented or alcoholic beverages is prohibited within the center during the hours the shooting range is open to the public. These hours are posted at the center.

(p) No person may be admitted inside the fenced area of the firing line on any range, except the shotgun trap range, without payment of the appropriate fee. On the shotgun trap range one puller per trap who does not shoot may be allowed in free.

**(17) RICHARD BONG STATE RECREATION AREA.** (a) *Definition.* "Richard Bong state recreation area" means that portion of township 2 north, range 20 east, town of Brighton, Kenosha county posted with department markers or signs.

1. 'Hunting zone.' All that portion of the Richard Bong state recreation area except that portion described in subd. 3.

2. 'Special use zone.' All that portion of the Richard Bong state recreation area lying south of state highway 142 posted with department markers or signs.

3. 'Intensive use zone.' All that portion of the Richard Bong state recreation area posted with department markers or signs.

(b) *Special use zone.* 1. Reservations are restricted to groups of 25 or more individuals.

2. Reservations shall be submitted on department forms and will be accepted no more than one year and not less than 10 days in advance of the requested date. The forms are available at the Richard Bong state recreation area headquarters.

3. Reservations may be made at the Richard Bong headquarters in person or by mail.

4. Reservations shall be approved subject to the special use zone calendar under par. (c).

5. Reservations shall be accepted and made on a first–come, first–served basis consistent with the special use zone calendar.

(c) *Special use zone calendar.* The department shall establish and maintain an annual calendar of use for the recreational uses listed par. (d) recognizing the priority of special uses designated in this section for the dates indicated.

(d) *Permitted recreational uses.* 1. Bird watching

2. Cross–country skiing

3. Dog sledding

4. Dog training

5. Dog trials

6. Falconry

7. Foot racing

8. Hang gliding

9. Hiking

10. Horseback riding, competition and horse drawn vehicles

11. Hot air ballooning

12. Hunting

13. Land sailing

14. Model aircraft flying

15. Model rocket flying

16. Nature study

17. Scout jamborees

18. Sky diving

19. Sleigh riding

20. Snowmobiling

21. Steeplechase events
22. Off-highway motorcycling
23. Trapping
24. All-terrain vehicles
25. Off-road bicycling (mountain biking)

(e) *Picnics and camping.* Picnicking and camping incidental to a use in par. (d) is authorized if indicated as such in the permit.

(f) *Priority activities.* The following uses shall have priority on a first-come, first-served basis over all other uses during the period indicated:

1. Horse activities, model aircraft flying, dog training on foot, retriever trials, falconry, land sailing, hang gliding, snowmobiling, trail biking and hot air ballooning:

- a. The weekends of June and July,
- b. The first 3 weekends of January, February and August and weekends in December following the close of pheasant season,
- c. The 3-day Memorial Day weekend.

2. Dog trials, dog training and model aircraft flying:

- a. Weekends in March, April, May (except Memorial Day weekend) and September,

- b. Labor Day,

- c. One weekend near mid-October if not in conflict with ss. NR 10.01 and 10.24,

- d. First weekend of October.

3. Hunting during pheasant and waterfowl seasons in accordance with ss. NR 10.01 and 10.24.

5. Waterfowl and bow deer hunting in season as specified in ch. NR 10.

(g) *Availability.* The zone shall be available to groups on a first-come, first-served basis consistent with the scheduling calendar if not previously reserved.

(h) *Uses not listed.* Recreational uses not listed in par. (d) shall be approved by the natural resources board prior to authorized use in the zone. Such approved uses shall be adopted as rules on a periodic basis.

(i) *Permit limitations.* No person may be in any zone or area other than that assigned by department permit or otherwise authorized by the department.

**(18) KETTLE MORAINÉ STATE FOREST, LAPHAM PEAK.** No person may take, catch, kill, hunt, trap or pursue any wild animal, or discharge any firearm or have in possession or under control any firearm or air gun as defined in s. 939.22, Stats., unless it is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case, or any bow, slingshot or spring-loaded device designed for shooting a projectile unless the same is unstrung or enclosed within a carrying case while on any department lands designated by posted notice within the Lapham Peak Unit-Kettle Moraine state forest.

**(19) AMNICON FALLS STATE PARK.** No person may jump or dive into waterways contrary to posted notice at Amnicon Falls state park.

**(20) GREAT RIVER STATE RECREATION TRAIL.** The following use zones are established on the Great River state recreation trail. No person may hunt, trap or operate a snowmobile except in the appropriate use zone established in this section.

(a) *Hunting zone.* The hunting zone is all that portion of the Great River state recreation trail lying north and west of CTH "ZN" in La Crosse county to the village of Trempealeau limits in Trempealeau county, and all that portion of the Great River state recreation trail lying north and west of Lehmann road to the Trempealeau national wildlife refuge access road at the junction of West Prairie road in Trempealeau county.

(b) *Snowmobile zone.* The snowmobile zone is all that portion of the Great River state recreation trail in LaCrosse county and Trempealeau county lying south and east of the junction with Lehmann road in Trempealeau county.

(c) *Trapping zone.* The trapping zone is all that portion of the Great River state recreation trail lying north and west of the CTH

"ZN" in LaCrosse county to the village of Trempealeau limits in Trempealeau county, and all that portion of the Great River state recreation trail lying north and west of the village of Trempealeau limits to the Trempealeau national wildlife refuge access road at the junction of West Prairie road in Trempealeau county.

**(21) KETTLE MORAINÉ STATE FOREST, NORTHERN UNIT.** No person may take, catch, kill, hunt, trap or pursue any wild animal, or discharge any firearm or have in possession or under control any firearm or air gun as defined in s. 939.22 (2), Stats., unless it is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case, or any bow, slingshot or springloaded device designed for shooting a projectile unless the same is unstrung or enclosed within a carrying case while on any department lands designated by posted notice in sections 13 and 24 east of Long Lake, and section 25 north of county highway F, T14N, R19E, town of Osceola, Fond du Lac county.

**(22) NEVIN SPRINGS FISH AND WILDLIFE AREA.** The department may by posted notice restrict the use of center-fire and rim-fire rifles, handguns and shotguns with slugs.

**(23) AZTALAN STATE PARK.** Sledding, skiing and snowboarding are prohibited on the Indian mounds at Aztalan state park.

**(24) TUSCOBIA STATE RECREATION TRAIL.** Except for deer hunting in accordance with ch. NR 10, no person may hunt any wild animal or discharge any firearm, air gun, bow, slingshot or spring-loaded device designed for shooting a projectile within the boundaries of the Tuscobia state recreation trail.

**(25) BIG BAY STATE PARK.** No person may operate a dog sled on state lands in Big Bay state park unless authorized in writing by the property manager.

**(26) LAKESHORE STATE PARK.** The following rules and fees are established:

(a) *Alcoholic beverages.* No person may drink or possess any intoxicating liquor or fermented malt beverage except by transient boat campers in designated boat slips or by permit. Permits are available at the park office and shall be requested at least 24 hours in advance. The cost of a permit is \$25.00. The department may deny a permit based on user conflicts or other public safety considerations.

(b) *Event fees.* All organized group events using Lakeshore state park are required to obtain a special events use license prior to using the park. The license has a required fee that must be remitted 30 days prior to holding the event. The fee is determined by the number of participants or the type of event.

1. Free Presentations: art events, dance demonstrations, educational . . . \$25.00

2. Family Events: reunions, weddings, picnics . . \$100.00

3. Fireworks Events: minimum of \$300.00. The park is closed to public thoroughfare between the hours of 9:00 p.m. to the end of the fireworks display.

4. Runs/Walks: . . . \$750.00

5. Corporate Events: less than 500 people \$500.00, more than 500 people minimum of \$2,000/day.

6. Event concession booths: . . . \$75.00/booth.

(c) *Marina operations.* The following prohibitions and restrictions apply to the marina located at Lakeshore state park:

1. Swimming off docks or piers is prohibited.

2. Fishing off docks or piers is prohibited.

3. Sleeping on docks or piers is prohibited.

4. Quiet hours begin at 11:00 p.m. and continue until 7:00 a.m., except on H. Maier Park festival nights when quiet hours begin at 12:30 a.m.

5. All boaters and guests on park property, on the night of firework events, shall remain on their boat or adjoining slip beginning at 9:00 p.m. and continuing until the end of the fireworks display.

(d) *Boat moorage fees.* 1. 'General.' All overnight moorage fees shall be based on the overall length of the watercraft as shown on the boat registration.

2. 'Exemption.' Watercraft that are the property of the United States, the State of Wisconsin, and other governmental entities



during the performance of official duties are exempt from all moorage fees.

3. 'Overnight fees.' a. The overnight mooring fee is \$1.50 per foot, with a minimum charge of \$30.00 per each overnight stay.

b. The overnight mooring fee reserves the assigned dock from 3:00 p.m. through 1:00 p.m. the following day.

c. A boater who wishes to occupy the slip prior to 3:00 p.m. may do so if the slip is available.

d. An overnight boater who wishes to occupy the slip beyond 1:00 p.m. may be permitted to extend the time, if available, at the discretion of the park manager. The boater who is permitted to stay beyond 1:00 p.m. shall pay the daytime temporary moorage rate.

4. 'Daytime fees.' a. The daytime temporary moorage rate shall be \$3.00 per hour, with a minimum charge of \$10.00.

b. The temporary daytime fee applies to all watercraft tied to the dock.

c. If a boat fails to vacate the slip by the required time of 3:00 p.m., the boater shall pay the overnight moorage fee.

d. The park manager shall have discretion in determining if and for what time period the temporary moorage is allowed.

(e) *Boat moorage reservations.* 1. Reservations may be made up to 11 months in advance.

2. A one night nonrefundable reservation fee due with the overnight reservation application.

3. Length of stay is limited to four consecutive days in any five day period.

4. A boater shall vacate the slip for a minimum of 24 hours before reserving a moorage slip again. Consecutive reservations are not allowed during Milwaukee World Festival Incorporated's Summerfest event unless approved by the park manager.

5. If more than a one night reservation fee is paid in advance, and the reservation is cancelled at least 7 days in advance, all but one night's fee shall be refunded.

(f) *Rules for doubling.* 1. Watercraft that are doubled properly to the pier shall both be charged the normal dockage rate.

2. When two boats are moored in a slip, the second boat may not be provided electric power. The second boater may make arrangements with the first boater to share electric power but the first boater is under no obligation to do so.

3. The park manager shall have discretion to allow doubling.

(g) *Rules on rafting.* 1. Watercraft that are properly rafted onto a moored watercraft shall be charged the normal moorage rate.

2. When a boat is rafted to a moored vessel watercraft, the rafted boat may not be provided electric power. The rafted boater may make arrangement with the moored boater to share electric power, but the moored boater is under no obligation to do so.

3. The park manager shall have discretion in allowing rafting, provided that rafting may not interfere with other marina uses or waterway navigation.

(27) THORNAPPLE RIVER STURGEON SPAWNING PROPERTY--RUSK COUNTY. No person may discharge any firearm for the purpose of target shooting in areas designated by posted notice within the Thornapple River sturgeon spawning property, Rusk County.

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**NR 45.14 Exceptions.** (1) Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit or hinder the department, its supervisors, managers, foresters, wardens, rangers or other duly authorized agents, or any peace officer from performing their official duties.

(2) The department may waive in writing any provision of this chapter for commercial filming on state lands.

**History:** Cr. Register, December, 1983, No. 336, eff. 1-1-84; renum. to be (1), cr. (2), Register, March, 1992, No. 435, eff. 4-1-92.